Clean School Buses (CSB) Program (EPA)

$5 billion available through multiple rounds over five years (FY 2022-2026) to replace existing diesel school buses with zero-emission and low-emission models. Round #3 just closed, expect next round grant application by late spring 2024. <u>Eligibility:</u> Public school districts, charter schools, and fleet operators in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., U.S. territories and Tribal nations. Some funding is allocated to priority high-need, rural or Tribal schools.

Clean School Bus Program | US EPA   CACE/Philly CSB Program Doc

Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Clean Energy Credits

Allows all schools as well as nonprofits to take advantage of IRA tax credits as a direct payment. <u>Eligible projects:</u> Solar arrays, high efficiency HVAC equipment, geothermal, lighting automation, weatherization, electric vehicles and chargers, etc.

FACT SHEET: IRA Tax Credits Can Fund School Facilities and Reduce School District Energy Bills

Nonprofits Can Benefit from Energy-Efficient Tax Deduction (179D)

Non-IRA incentives and sources of financing for solar - Philadelphia Energy Authority (philaenergy.org)

Renew America's Schools (DOE)

$500 million to promote the implementation of clean energy improvements at K-12 public schools across the country. Round #1 has closed and the awards announced. The Department of Energy anticipates releasing the second round of funding in Spring 2024. <u>Eligibility:</u> High-need K-12 public and charter schools.

Renew America's Schools | Department of Energy

Solar for Schools - HB1032

PA legislation proposes to provide grants to school districts, intermediate units, career and technical schools, and community colleges to fund solar energy projects. Has passed PA House as <u>PA HB1032</u>, pending PA Senate adoption April 2024. Lead sponsor, <u>Rep. Elizabeth Fiedler, District 184</u>.

Solar for Schools (pahouse.com)

Individuals and school districts urged to support this legislation: My school district supports Solar for Schools!

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