

POLICY FOR MARYLAND GREEN SCHOOL EXTENSIONS AND EXPIRATIONS



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MAEOE recognizes that schools and educators face a range of challenges that can make it difficult to renew a Green School Award on schedule. Schools that miss the four-year renewal deadline are granted a one-year grace period before their award expires. Sustainable Schools—those that have earned the Green School Award four or more times—receive a two-year grace period. Schools in this grace period are encouraged to submit an Extension Request Form to explain their circumstances, update contact information, and request support if needed. If a renewal application has not been submitted by the end of the grace period, schools may still request additional time by completing a new Extension Request Form. All extension requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the MAEOE Green Schools Committee.

MAEOE makes every effort to engage and support schools in remaining active in the program. However, if no communication is received after the grace period, the school's Green School Award will expire and the school will be removed from all Maryland Green Schools listings. Schools with expired status must discontinue use of program logos, flags, awards, and branding to avoid misrepresentation. Schools with expired awards are welcome to reapply to the program; however, they will be treated as new applicants and must begin with the initial application, unless otherwise determined by the MAEOE Green Schools Committee.

All questions regarding extensions and expirations should be sent by email to applications@maeoe.org.

