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2015 National Community Schools Awards for Excellence and Advocacy Day

Washington D.C., June 10-11, 2015



Join us and our partner, the **Coalition for Community Schools**, at the **2015 National Community Schools Awards for Excellence and Advocacy Day**. The Awards Ceremony will take place in Washington D.C. on June 10th from 3:30-6:00 PM. Here, exceptional Community School initiatives and schools will be recognized and awarded for their outstanding accomplishments.

The following day, June 11th, the **Coalition for Community Schools** will host a Policy Briefing in the morning, followed by a day of advocating on the Hill for Community Schools.

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Featured Article: School Locations and Traffic Emissions - Environmental (In)Justice Finding Using a New Screening Method

Gaffron & Niemeier, 2015

It has been shown that the location of schools near heavily trafficked roads can have detrimental effects on the health of children attending those schools. It is therefore desirable to screen both existing school locations and potential new school sites to assess either the need for remedial measures or suitability for the intended use. Current screening tools and public guidance on school siting are either too coarse in their spatial resolution for assessing individual sites or are highly resource intensive in their execution (e.g., through dispersion modeling). We propose a new method to help bridge the gap between these two approaches. Using this method, we also examine the public K-12 schools in the Sacramento Area Council of Governments Region, California (USA) from an environmental justice perspective.



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