

Rep. Ben Chandler Speaks on the Importance of Green Schools

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Last week, Kentucky's [Rosa Parks Elementary](#) was recognized for earning [Energy Star certification](#), and [reducing their energy usage by 47 percent](#) with no additional cost to the school. In attendance was [Rep. Ben Chandler \(D-KY\)](#), a long-time supporter of green school efforts and a co-chair of the [Congressional Green Schools Caucus](#). Watch what Rep. Chandler has to say about the important opportunity green schools' present:

Rep. Chandler praised the school's efforts, saying: "High performance schools are truly the future of education, especially in these tough economic times. In last year alone, [Rosa Parks Elementary in Lexington, KY] saved over 52 thousand dollars, and that's why high performance schools are so important. By saving money on electric bills and instead investing in education, we're giving our children a leg up on their future."

Rep. Chandler's support of green schools comes at an important time. Last week, Obama announced the [American Jobs Act](#), which would create \$25 billion for [repairing schools](#) across the country. The Center for Green Schools praises Congressman Chandler for his support on green school initiatives, and look forward to continued work together in the future.

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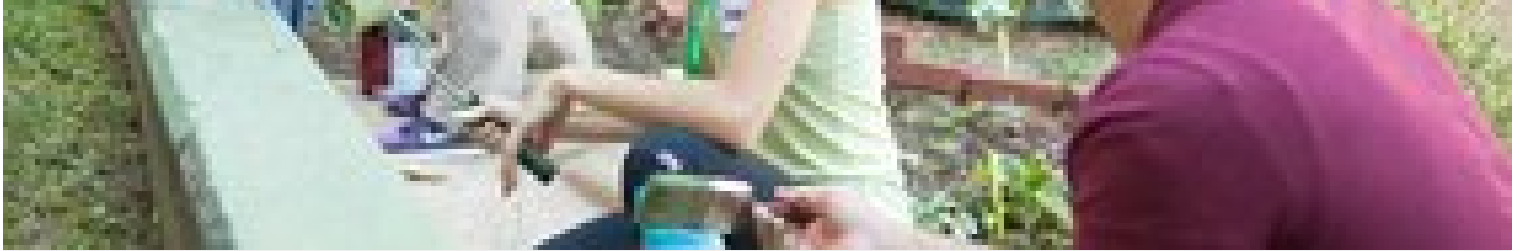
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