



Western New York Teachers Invited to Form Energy Detectives
Teachers can still register for free teacher training sessions

(November 13, 2008) Williamsville, N.Y.: As part of its Conservation Incentive Program, National Fuel has joined with the Buffalo Sabres' Green Team and the National Energy Education Development Project (NEED) to offer a new, free and exciting program for teachers at the fifth through 12th-grade level to help their students to become Energy Detectives.

The NEED program includes teacher-tested, hands-on classroom kits that teach students about energy efficiency, conservation and energy sources. Participating teachers will be provided with Home Energy Efficiency Kits to send home with students to share with their families.

Together, the students and their families install energy efficiency and conservation measures, including: shower flow bags, outlet gasket insulators, faucet aerators, water-saving showerheads, and other tools. Materials provide structure for students to work with their families to save energy and integrate their efforts with a classroom activity.

To further support the classroom activity, the Buffalo Sabres will be offering 10 participating classes a visit with Sabretooth where students can share what they have learned. In addition, each participating teacher will be asked to select one top Energy Detective from his/her class to be entered into a drawing to win a school visit by Sabres forward Paul Gaustad.

The grand prize winner will also receive the opportunity to attend a Sabres game at HSBC Arena, and attend the post-game press conference with head coach Lindy Ruff.

It's easy for teachers to get involved in this program. The first step is to attend one of the two remaining teacher-training workshops. There is no cost to attend the workshop and substitute costs will be reimbursed to school districts.

Energy Detectives Teacher Training Workshop Schedule:

CITY	DATE	LOCATION
Lewiston	Nov. 20	The Niagara Power Project's Power Vista
Buffalo	Nov. 22	Buffalo Public School #70

To be eligible, a school must be in National Fuel's Western New York service territory. For information or to register contact the NEED Project's NYS Office 1-866-720-2123 or nyworkshops@need.org.

For more information on National Fuel's Conservation Incentive Program, which includes rebates on the purchase of high efficiency natural gas equipment, and a new program that features discounts on low-cost and effective energy-conservation materials, visit www.NationalFuelForThought.com.



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