



CLEAN STEM *FLASH*

Extreme Heat

A Timely "Extreme Heat" E-Learning Series to Use and Share
June 15, 2022

- Activity: Rooftop Gardens
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Hello {First Name},

Extreme heat has been rising due to climate change, impacting health and ecosystems. Here are resources you can use to teach about heat-related topics in your classroom, including extreme urban heat, how the increase in heat waves is impacting communities, and how to build resilience in response to these challenges.

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New Newsletter for the CLEAN Network

CLEAN is introducing a new newsletter! The **new CLEAN Network Newsflash** will be tailored toward members of our CLEAN Network, including upcoming events from Network members, the CLEAN community calendar, webinars, teleconferences, social media highlights, and more.

This existing CLEAN STEM Flash newsletter will be rebranded as the **CLEAN Teacher Newsflash**, with classroom-ready resources from our Collection developed specifically for teachers. Follow the link

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NEW NEWSLETTER



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CLEAN Resource Feature: Activity



HANDS-ON ACTIVITY

Rooftop Gardens



What are the benefits of green roofs?



Students record the temperatures of their two model buildings, one with a black roof and the other covered with plants.

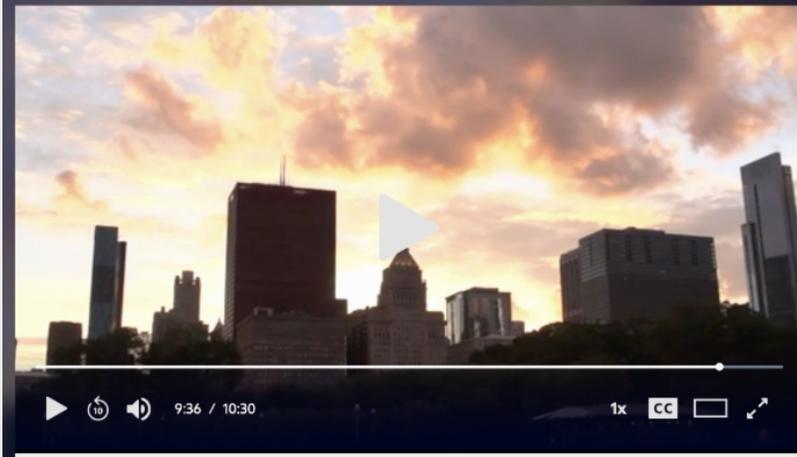
Activity: Rooftop Gardens

Audience: Middle School, High School, College (Lower)

This activity allows students to explore whether rooftop gardens are a viable option for combating the urban heat island effect. The guiding question is: Can rooftop gardens reduce the temperature inside and outside of houses? The activity takes about 2 hours with extra time for students to gather materials and develop design plans.

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CLEAN Resource Feature: Video



PBS NEWSHOUR

Chicago Fights Extreme Urban Heat With Greener Ideas

Clip: 10/09/2012 | 10m 30s

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One of Chicago's most beautiful and hidden gardens is located on top of City Hall, part of an effort to 'green' roofs in order fight rising temperatures. Hari Sreenivasan reports on the actions the city of Chicago is taking to mitigate climate change in an urban landscape.

Aired: 10/09/12 | Rating: NR

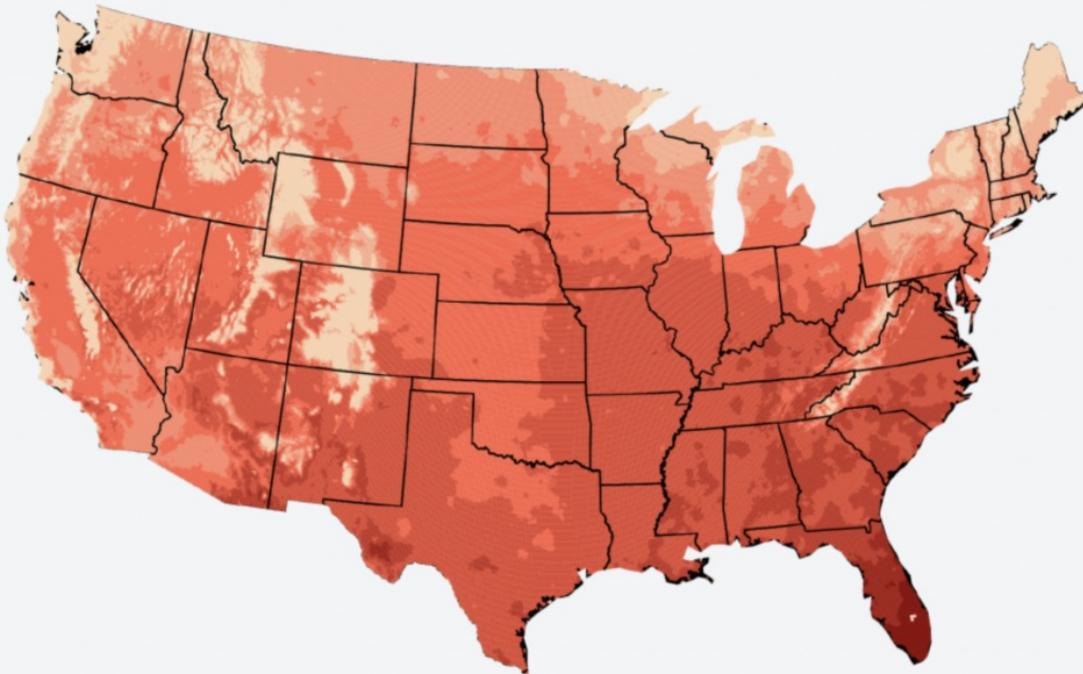
[Video: Chicago Fights Extreme Urban Heat With Greener Ideas](#)

Audience: Middle School, High School, College (Lower & Upper)

This segment from PBS's Coping with Climate Change series reports on the actions the city of Chicago is taking to mitigate climate change in an urban landscape. This piece is narrated by Hari Sreenivasan.

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Read: Heat Waves and Climate Change



[Article: Heat Waves and Climate Change](#)

"Over the past decade, daily record high temperatures have occurred twice as often as record lows across the continental United States, up from a near 1:1 ratio in the 1950s. Heat waves are becoming more common, and intense heat waves are more frequent in the U.S.," says the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions.

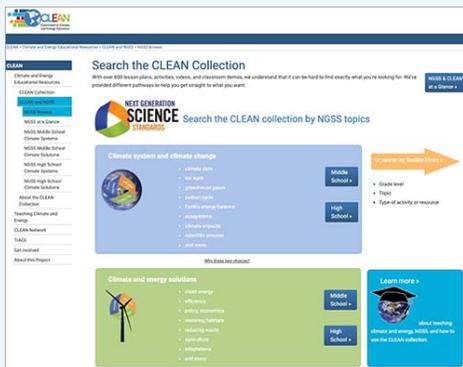
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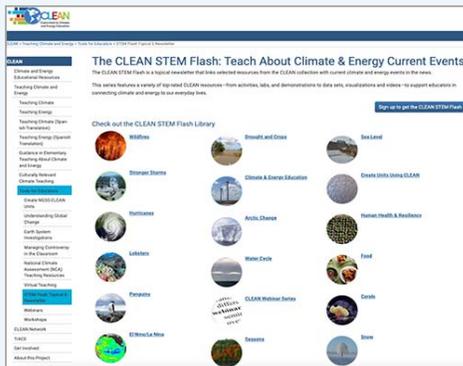
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