

Delaware School Yard Habitat Network: Dune Demonstration Project at the University of Delaware Graduate College of Marine Science Lewes, DE



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Native Coastal Dune Demonstration Project

Background: This one half acre dune habitat creation is a focal landscaping element that is being used to educate the public and post secondary students about the importance of coastal dune protection, and the use of native plants for coastal landscaping. This site helps to provide guidance for the public in the selection and use of native plant species. More than 2,000 visitors tour this site annually.

Partners: University of Delaware, College of Marine Sciences, Partnership for the Delaware Estuary, Inc, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Sussex County Conservation District, Natural Resources Conservation Service, JB Landscaping, Sussex Vocational Technical High School's Chapter of Future Farmers of America.

Awards/Recognition: 2004 Excellence in the Estuary Award, 2008 - JB Landscaping received national recognition from the Association of Professional Landscape Designers in New York, 2009 - Delaware Nursery and Landscaping Association Award

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