

## Excellence in Sustainability Award Program

### Project Summary

Hernando County School District's sustainability program was awarded the 2nd Annual National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)'s Excellence in Sustainability Award on June 21, 2009 at NEHA's Annual Educational Conference & Exhibition in Atlanta, GA. Gus Schaefer, Senior Vice President and Public Safety Officer from Underwriters Laboratories, which sponsors the award, commented that the Hernando County School District's program "implemented activities for energy conservation, waste reduction, recycling, "green" product usage, and more. In addition, this program is teaching their students to be sustainable-minded." He also pointed out that the program is unique, multi-faceted, and had buy-in from the staff, vendors, community and most remarkably, from the students.