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**Climate & Sports Student Summits Teams Up with Green Sports Alliance**

Thursday April 20, 2017: **La Crescent, MN & Portland, OR** – [Climate & Sports Student Summits](#) is teaming up with the [Green Sports Alliance](#) to bring an engaging youth conference to Sacramento, CA during the seventh annual [Green Sports Alliance Summit](#). The youth conference will educate K-12 students on climate change, zero waste, and net zero energy through the lens of sports.

“We are excited to be included in this year’s Summit to educate our K-12 students on the impacts of climate change and what they can do about it,” said Diana Dehm, President of Climate & Sports Student Summits. By partnering with the Alliance, CSSS expands the reach of its educational efforts into the sports world, exposing students and fans to the latest sports greening initiatives. “Educating our next generation through sports is a true game changer for our planet,” said Scott Jenkins, Green Sports Alliance Board Chair and General Manager of Mercedes-Benz Stadium.

The Student Summit at the Golden 1 Center will give students the knowledge, tools, and leadership skills for making lasting sustainable change. As a result, students will adopt the role of “Youth Sustainability Champions” in their respective schools and communities. Inspired by the sports community, K-12 students leave empowered to develop and implement sustainability action plans and measure their plans’ progress and impact.

CSSS is targeting over 300 students nationwide and kicked off their first student event in March 2017 with Alliance member Miami Heat at American Airlines Arena. Additional Student Summits are scheduled in Southern California and Colorado later this year.

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**About Climate & Sports Student Summits**

Climate & Sports Student Summits (CSSS), a 501-c3 non-profit organization, inspires and educates K-12 students to take action to reverse climate change, utilizing sports as a vehicle. Contact: 714.300.8836 or visit [climatesportsstudentsummits.org](http://climatesportsstudentsummits.org) for more information.

**About the Green Sports Alliance**

The Green Sports Alliance leverages the cultural and market influence of sports to promote healthy, sustainable communities where people live and play. The Alliance inspires professional sports leagues, conferences, sports governing bodies, colleges, teams, venues, their partners and millions of fans to embrace renewable energy, healthy food, recycling, water efficiency, safer chemicals and other environmentally preferable practices. Alliance members represent nearly 400 sports teams and venues from 15 sports leagues in 14 countries. Visit [greensportsalliance.org](http://greensportsalliance.org) for more information.