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Recommendations for Education for a Sustainable and Secure Future

Dr. Blockstein will present the recommendations of the 3rd National Conference on Science, Policy and the Environment, convened by the National Council for Science and the Environment (NCSE). see <http://www.ncseonline.org/NCSEconference/2003conference/2003Report.pdf>.

The overarching themes of the conference are that:

- Simultaneously protecting the environment and providing for economic and personal well-being is the path to human security and the foundation for global security.
- Education is essential for human and global security.
- Education for sustainability needs to be infused across the educational enterprise for life-long learning.

Primary recommendations include the need to:

- Identify sustainability education needs and practices
- Develop sustainability education standards and programs
- Facilitate the teaching of sustainability concepts
- Communicate sustainability concepts to the public
- Foster business leadership of sustainable practices

These recommendations form the basis for a national effort that is commencing in the context of the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development, beginning in 2005 <http://www.uscdesd.org/>.

Dr. Blockstein's seminar will emphasize opportunities for higher education, including through NCSE's Council of Environmental Deans and Directors, which includes the heads of environmental programs at more than 100 colleges and universities. <http://www.ncseonline.org/cedd/>

Date: September 29, 2004
Time: NOON - 1:30 pm
Place: Carolyn Hoff Lynch Auditorium
On the Penn campus: Chemistry Building:
34th & Spruce Sts. (enter on 34th St)

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