

School Recycling Information

Republic Services of Lake Oswego and the City of Lake Oswego both recognize the important role that schools play in resource conservation through effective waste reduction programs. In January 2005 Republic Services of Lake Oswego created a Recycling Coordinator position to work directly with public and private schools that serve the citizens of Lake Oswego and surrounding areas. The Coordinator works closely with the schools to provide technical assistance and information through waste audits, evaluations, equipment and supplies, proper signage, educational tools, classroom presentations, educational materials.

Technical Assistance to Schools

Republic Services of Lake Oswego's Recycling Coordinator works with public and private schools to set up and maintain sustainable recycling programs. Assistance is available with waste evaluations and audits, obtaining equipment and supplies, proper signage, and educational tools. If you are interested in learning more about how Republic Services of Lake Oswego Service can help you and your school your school please click [Recycling Coordinator](#) and you can email your coordinator directly.

Educational Resources

In partnership with Clackamas County, Metro, and other local government partners Republic Services of Lake Oswego can help provide a variety of educational resources for grades K-12. Below is a listing of sites for both students and teachers filled with how to connect information on waste reduction and recycling to your classroom. Have fun and explore!

STUDENT LINKS:

www.epa.gov/kids/ The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) kids page has great information and some fun sites.

www.epa.gov/students/ As does the EPA student center.

<http://yucky.kids.discovery.com/flash/> The self-proclaimed yuckiest site on the internet will tell you all about worms, bugs and more.

www.recycleroom.org/ Roscoe, the cartoon steel can shares information on recycling.

www.napcor.com/kids.html Recycling PETE's Fun Page.

www.randomhouse.com/seussville/games/orax/ Dr. Suess' Lorax Game.

www.epa.gov/epaoswer/osw/kids/space/index.htm The N. Trubble and the Environauts Games are an excellent introduction to solid waste issues.

www.epa.gov/recyclecity/ Find out all about Recycle City.

www.dep.state.pa.us/earthdaycentral/03/educators.htm - Check out Pennsylvania's Dept. of Environmental Protection's Earth Day activities.

TEACHER LINKS:

www.astc.org/exhibitions/rotten/rtintro.htm Check out the "Rotten" Truth About Garbage.

www.cygnus-group.com/use-less-stuff/NSTA.html Download the National Science Teachers Association's source reduction curriculum "An Ounce of Prevention," from the Cygnus Groups web-site.

www.earthdaybags.org/ Have your students design their own creative environmental messages to be drawn on grocery bags and then placed in local stores. Check out bag designs and project ideas.

www.sierraclub.org/education/ The Sierra Club's environmental education site.

www.dep.state.pa.us/educators/default.htm The Pennsylvania DEP's Teacher's Page has great resources.

www.epa.gov/teachers/ The EPA teacher's site.

<http://eelink.net/> The Environmental Education Link.

<http://members.aol.com/donnandlee/Green.html> An impressive listing of recycling lesson plans and activities.

www.plt.org/curriculum/solidwaste.cfm Project Learning Tree has a great solid waste curriculum.
www.dep.state.pa.us/earthdaycentral/03/students.htm Check out Pennsylvania's Dept. of Environmental Protection's Earth Day activities.

There are also a number of classroom presentations and activities available for your school listed below:

Metro Waste Reduction Education

From puppet shows on the natural wonders of composting to learning about how lifestyle choices impact our lives, environments, and communities, any one of these wonderful, presentations would be great for your school.

K-5 Freda Shurburne (503) 797-1522 or www.metro-region.org

K-12 Amy Wilson (503) 797-1521 or www.metro-region.org

Department of Environmental Quality

Rethinking Recycling An Oregon Waste Reduction Curriculum. Updated in 2001, many of the lessons satisfy Oregon's new Common Curriculum Goals.

To receive a CD ROM by mail call: Michelle Shepperd 503.229.6724 or visit <http://www.deq.state.or.us/wmc/solwaste/rethinkrecyc/rethinkrecyc.html>

Clackamas County Recycling

Eileen Stapp (503) 353-4454 or [email](#).

The Oregon Green Schools Recognition Program

Oregon Green Schools is a program designed to:

- Help schools effectively reduce, reuse, and recycle.
- Recognize schools for their waste reduction and resource conservation efforts.
- Bring schools together to network and exchange resource savings information, strategies, and ideas.

Republic Services of Lake Oswego is proud to serve as a liaison and avid supporter of the Oregon Green Schools Program. Republic Services of Lake Oswego's Recycling Coordinator works side by side with the schools and Oregon Green school Coordinators. Currently Palisades School is the only school in the district currently enrolled in the program. We are looking to increase participation in this wonderful program each and every year.