



The School Recycling CLUB

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110,495 Students Involved!



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Have you joined TEAM EARTH yet? Find out more by clicking on "Awards" on The CLUB's web site.



The School Recycling CLUB is a project of the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA), a proactive non-profit cooperative working to make recycling programs efficient and financially successful.

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School Recycling CLUB Quarterly



Providing the latest news to the school recycling community

[TEAM EARTH ACTIVITY= 10 POINTS]

2009 BACKYARD COMPOST BIN & KITCHEN PAIL SALE

Fundraiser Alert: Earn Money For Your School

As much as 25% of an average household's waste is kitchen scraps and trimmings, costing communities thousands of dollars for disposal. Reduce this waste by participating in the NRRRA's Annual Backyard Compost Bin Sale! Using the "power of numbers" for cooperative purchasing, municipalities, community groups and service organizations can sell the Earth Machine Backyard Compost Bin for \$40 rather than \$85 actual retail value and the Kitchen Waste Pails for \$8. The Sale is conducted very much like a Girl Scout cookie sale in that organizations sell the bins, and accept orders by April 1st.



The bins are then delivered the week of April 14th for distribution. NRRRA provides customized master order forms, posters, and a sample bin to help with sales. So groups don't have to handle any

money, checks for the bins are made out to NRRRA. However, the sale can also be used as a fundraiser, by selling the bins for \$45 each and earning \$5 for each bin sold! Don't miss out on this great opportunity to reduce your waste, increase backyard composting and provide a backyard compost bin at a great price! To sign up for the Sale, contact Jan Carter at (603) 736-4401 or go to www.nrra.net.

NEW! Rain Barrels will be available to buy for \$60 (\$120 Value). Find out more at www.nrra.net.

[TEAM EARTH ACTIVITY= 4 POINTS]

Recycle Old Athletic Shoes

Did you know that you can recycle old athletic shoes? Milford Middle School recently joined the Nike Reuse-A-Shoe program and collected over 200 pairs of athletic shoes that will be reused to make playground and sport surfaces! The shoes were brought to George & Phillips, Inc in Exeter, where they are shipped

out to be processed. This retailer accepts boxes of 24 to 30 pairs of any brand of athletic shoe. For more information on this great program, check out www.nikereuseashoe.com and www.georgeandphillips.com.

Thank you Milford Middle School for letting us know about this great program!

*T.E.A.M. = Team Earth Activity Manual. Whenever you see this acronym, it means you can earn points towards our TEAM EARTH Awards Program by completing this activity.



They Have Earned their GOLD!

Milford Middle School (MMS) has exceeded all expectations and earned the GOLD award in the School Recycling Program's TEAM Earth Awards program in record time. This award program was intended to be a four-year program and MMS completed it in just one year!

The TEAM Earth program awards points for each recycling project a group finishes. MMS has completed many projects, including handing out water bottles and coffee mugs to teachers for teacher appreciation week, signing up for the Cookie Wrapper Brigade with Terracycle and donating the proceeds to the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter.

This program is a great way to keep students motivated about recycling. If your school would like to sign up for this program, please call Kelly at (603) 736-4401.

MEMBER SCHOOL PROFILE

Bow School District - Bow, NH

Bow Students Excel at Spreading a "Green" Message

By Lydia Crisp
Student Contributor

When thinking of the schools in Bow two things usually come to mind: outstanding academics and talented athletic teams. Now we can add another credential to the list – green schools. All three Bow schools are working hard to do their part to save the planet by recycling, waste reduction, and educating students and residents about being "green".

To kick-off the 2008-2009 school year and the high school's recycling program the Bow High School (BHS) Environmental Service Club (ESC), in partnership with the Bow PTO, brought the Junkman, Don Knaack to BHS. Don plays Junkmusic on 100% recycled materials as a way to educate and encourage stewardship for the Earth. All the students at the high school and elementary school attended the performance.

The Junkman performance was just one of the many "green" efforts put forth by all three schools. The ESC is in the process of carrying out a comprehensive recycling program at the high school. The group's responsibilities include a daily collection of paper recycling from each classroom and helping to maintain the enthusiasm brought by the initial Junkman recycling kick-off. In the past the ESC has participated in the town's hazardous waste collection day and has taken the pledge to maintain its recycling program

for America Recycles Day on November 15th. The progress BHS has earned the school the Bronze award in the School Recycling Club TEAM Earth Awards Program. The high school's future plans include ESC's annual Earth Day celebration.

The high school is not alone in its efforts. Bow Middle School (BMS) also has many "green" initiatives underway. The school is currently recycling paper, plastic/glass, and aluminum cans. The eighth grade students take turns going to each class room each week to empty the recycling bins. Twice a year the school hauls a dump truck completely filled with aluminum cans to Advantage Recycling in Concord where they are weighed and used to make new aluminum sheets. The money that BMS earns from the recycled aluminum goes toward scholarships for the 8th grade's annual environmental trip. The middle school is also in the process of forming a recycling club, which would enable the younger students to become more involved in environmental efforts.

The Bow Elementary School (BES) kicked off their school recycling efforts this year by joining BHS for the Junkman performance on September 18th at the high school. BES joined The Club last school year, and since then has earned the Bronze Award, too. Parents and teachers are coordinating with school administrators to create a school-wide progressive recycling



Bow students educate peers on "green" practices.

curriculum. With the new curriculum each grade will be responsible for a recycling item and will receive formal instruction on their chosen recycling product. For example, if the second grade adopts plastics recycling, they will receive instruction on how plastic is recycled, what products are made from recycled plastic, and how it benefits the environment. The second graders would then monitor and take ownership of the plastic recycling for the entire school and produce a bi-annual plastics waste audit to share with the rest of the school. The BES Recycling Club is also planning a

field trip to the Wheelabrator Incinerator Plant in Penacook to see how trash is converted into electricity.

All three schools plan to continue with and expand upon their environmental efforts throughout the school year and beyond. Currently, Bow uses a dual stream recycling process, requiring separation and storage of paper/cardboard and commingles in different bins. However, each school is preparing for the arrival of single-stream recycling, in which all recyclables can be mixed together in the near future. ♻️

**Congratulations
Bow Elementary School
&
Bow High School**

**for earning the Bronze Award in the
TEAM Earth Awards Program!**

Keep up the great work!

Bow Middle School needs only a few more points!

Recycling Ramblings

Become a Contributor!

Would you like to be featured in the School Recycling Club's newsletter? We are looking for contributors to write and send pictures about YOUR great programs. Topic ideas include:

School Profiles & Overviews
Sharing unique items you recycle or reuse
Publicizing speakers or performances
that come to your school
AND MORE!

Please send your ideas to Kelly at theclub@nrra.net or call (603) 736-4401. Thank you in advanced for your help and support!

CLUB Stuff for The Asking



The School Recycling CLUB has other resources available. Just call us at 603-736-4401 or check them out on line at www.schoolrecycling.net. For example:

The Can Cage...it tows!...for large school wide collection of aluminum cans; ClearStream Recyclers...specifically designed for bottles and cans; EcoCycle Kit, a waste reduction activity kit...Just contact the CLUB! ☞

We're saving paper & emailing our newsletter!

The School Recycling Club is taking another step to save paper. Instead of printing and mailing our newsletter, we will be emailing it! If you are receiving a paper copy, this means we don't have your email address on file. Please take a second to email theclub@nrra.net your name, school, address, telephone number and email address, so we can update our database.

No email address? No worries. We'll continue to send your newlsetter to you. Thank you for taking the time to save a tree and help us update our database! ☞



Nashua Area Schools:

GET PAID for your paper recycling?

If your school is in the Nashua area, you may be able to get PAID for the paper you recycle. In turn, you can use this money to expand your recycling program. As more schools get involved, this program will expand to other areas of Southern NH. Email Kelly at theclub@nrra.net for more info. ☞

What would YOU like to see in the CLUB Newsletter?



Send the CLUB an email at theclub@nrra.net and let us know!

Grant Opportunity!



The Coca-Cola/NRC Recycling Bin Grant Program supports local community recycling programs by providing bins to selected grant recipients for the collection of beverage container recyclables in public settings. Grants

will be provided to a limited number of applicants who can demonstrate how their proposals will lead to sustainable recycling opportunities. The grant program is open to government, civic, school, non-profit groups and for-profit companies. Applications are available only on-line.

To apply, go to www.bingrant.org. ☞

Welcome New CLUB Members

Total CLUB Members to Date - 268

18 new & renewing members...

- 2nd Nature Academy
- Alvirne High School
- Auburn Village School
- Belmont Elementary School
- Boynton Middle School
- Hills Garrison School
- Hopkinton Independent School
- Hudson Memorial School
- Kenneth A. Brett School
- Lin-Wood Public School
- McKelvie Middle School
- Milton Elementary School
- Monadnock Regional High School
- Pennicuck Middle School
- Pittsfield Elementary School
- Portsmouth Christian Academy
- Southwick School
- Waterville Valley Elementary



Membership to the CLUB is FREE. Join Today!

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Got Recycling Bins? We do!

Recycling bins are available through New Hampshire the Beautiful at a **REDUCED** rate for schools within New Hampshire. You can purchase classroom recycling bins for only \$3 a bin! This dark green bin is 16" wide x 22" long x 13" high and comes printed with the New Hampshire the Beautiful logo.



Another option is the Clear Stream Recycling Bin. These bins have a strong wire frame, see through bag, bold graphics and raised 4-hole lid dramatically increasing recycling participation and reducing the chance of contamination. The Clear Stream Bin is available to New Hampshire members of THE CLUB for only \$16 and can be used to collect any type of container, such as aluminum cans or plastic bottles.

To order these bins, download the application at www.schoolrecycling.net/Grants.htm and fax it to Kelly at (603) 736-4402. If you have any questions, feel free to call (603) 736-4401 or e-mail theclub@nrna.net.



The School Recycling CLUB...

is a FREE school program, designed to be a fun, innovative way to give kids encouragement, direction, and networking possibilities for school recycling programs.

Benefits to joining include:

- Hear the latest news about school recycling.
- Gain statewide recognition for your school's recycling efforts.
- Increase partnerships between your community and your school.
- Receive technical assistance
- Learn of FREE recycling educational resources.

To Join...

- Have written permission from the principal;
- Currently be recycling, or agree to recycle at least one type of item for one year!
- **That's it!** You can be part of THE CLUB!

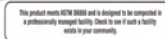
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