

9th Annual School Recycling Conference

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Registration Opens & Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

ACTIVITY BOOTHS

Teachers and students will not only have 6 educational and thought-provoking workshops from which to choose, they will also have the opportunity to learn with fun, hands-on activities set up in our exhibit hall!

9:00 AM - 9:45 AM

CONCURRENT SESSIONS



Jen Thayer & Olivia Lawrence, Kittery School District: [Repair Cafés – Uniting Schools with Communities](#)

Looking for a fun, innovative, and educational way to lessen your town's carbon footprint? Then this is the workshop for you! Bring students together with community and learn how to make repairs on clothes, furniture, appliances, bicycles and more. Repair Cafés are free meeting places and they're all about repairing things (together). In this workshop you will see how Traip Academy in Kittery, ME has incorporated a Repair Café into their afterschool program.



Eric Magers, Seaside Sustainability: [Green Scholars & Apprentices- A Middle/High School Sustainability Project Leadership Course](#)

We must offer our students, our future leaders, the tools and opportunities to make a difference in their world right now! This workshop will provide attendees with an overview of a place-based, service learning course curriculum focused on project management, leadership and the environment. This course attracts middle and high school students of all levels.



Brenna Toman & John José - Central Vermont SWMD: [Worms, Worms, Worms – Vermicomposting in Schools](#)

Did you know that worms can process an impressive amount of food scraps indoors and in a bite-size container. These unexpected heroes can turn banana peels into a valuable soil amendment in weeks with little effort.

Workshop participants will explore the challenges and opportunities surrounding composting food waste in schools, learn how to construct a vermicompost bin out of found materials, and gain strategies to introduce worms into homes and classrooms while managing the yuck factor.

10:15 AM - 10:45 AM

Coffee Break in the Exhibit Hall

10:45 AM - 11:30 AM

CONCURRENT SESSIONS



Chris Beling, US EPA: [Share Tables in New England Schools](#)

School Food Share or a Share Table is a simple program that allows schools and food banks to work together to collect whole and packaged cafeteria leftovers and share them within their community. This type of program helps schools use the food to 1) feed their own students and/or 2) donate the food to their local food bank to fight hunger in the community. This session will discuss the use of share tables in the Child Nutrition Program and differences between policies in the 6 New England states.



Ray Dube & Keegan Smith, Coca Cola of Northern New England: [Beyond the Bin – What Happens when you Recycle](#)

Coca-Cola of Northern New England's (CCNNE) Sustainability Program is focused on educating the public on sustainability and recycling efforts throughout Northeast classrooms and at other local events. Utilizing a sustainability booth, allows visuals and hands-on learning for the audience to understand the various elements that can be found in the recycling bin and what those materials are worth. The sustainability booth shows the process of how those materials are recycled and the end result product(s).



Jennifer Kennedy, Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation: [Taking Action to Reduce Ocean Pollution](#)

It is estimated that more than 8 million metric tons of plastic enters the ocean annually. Since 2001, Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation has worked with volunteers to remove thousands of pounds of litter from the coastline, and collect data to learn about pollution trends and develop solutions. Learn about the prevalence of plastics on NH beaches and in the Gulf of Maine, the threats that litter poses, and ways to take action at home, school and at the beach to reduce ocean pollution.

11:30 AM - 12:15 PM

Trash on the Lawn Day (TOLD) Armory/Exhibit Hall

T.O.L.D.

Trash on the Lawn Day (TOLD) is the NRRA School CLUB's thought-provoking, service-learning project that assesses a school's waste management issues and opportunities for improvement by literally sorting through a day's worth of waste "On the Lawn"

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

Lunch, School Awards, Closing Remarks

Featuring Special Performance by Allenstown Elementary School Students

