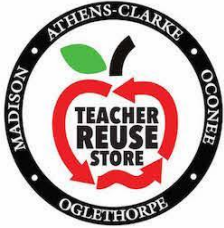


## Teacher Resources



The Teacher Reuse Store turns business and industry discards and by-products into supplies to local teachers (Athens-Clarke, Madison, Oconee, and Oglethorpe County teachers in both public and private schools) for free (with school ID)

Located at the CHaRM  
1005 College Avenue  
[www.accgov.com/teacherreuse](http://www.accgov.com/teacherreuse)



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Athens-Clarke County Opportunities and Resource Newsletter

Green School teachers receive our monthly ACORN Opportunities & Resources Newsletter filled with activities available for Green School Credit



**Creating &  
Using Existing  
Outdoor  
Learning Spaces**



**Volunteer  
Service  
Projects**

## We're here to help!

The Green School Committee offers individual teachers educational resources and materials to help your school achieve Green School status. Find more information about the Green School Program, free resources, and all required forms at [www.accgreenschool.org](http://www.accgreenschool.org). For further information, please contact our ACC Green School partners:

Laura Ney  
ACC Cooperative Extension

Katie Kenerly  
Stormwater Education Specialist

Denise Young  
ACC Recycling Division

Megan Hong  
Bear Hollow Zoo

Audrey Mitchell  
State Botanical Garden of Georgia

Katie Kirkland  
Water Conservation

Stacy Smith  
Keep Athens Clarke County Beautiful (KACCB)

Kate Mowbray  
Sandy Creek Nature Center

Wick Pritchard  
ACC Arborist

Sandy Cederbaum  
Teacher Reuse Store

Contact our partners to schedule a program at [www.accgreenschools.org](http://www.accgreenschools.org) or [greenschools@accgov.com](mailto:greenschools@accgov.com)

# ACC Green School Program



*The ACC Green School Program assists schools with environmental education and improvement efforts that focus on conservation, preservation, and beautification of our environment. Annually, the program recognizes participating schools that implement exceptional environmental education and improvement programs.*

# ACTIVITIES FOR CREDIT

Two ways to earn Green School credit:

- 1) Individual teacher credits
- 2) School credits for school-wide initiatives

To receive Green School credit, teachers will choose from a list of pre-approved lessons and Environmental Education Provider Resources. Take a look at the Green School Program and Activity Guide and Activity Submission Form for a full list of eligible activities at [www.accgreenschools.org](http://www.accgreenschools.org). We will consider additional sources not on the list.

## Teacher Credits

*(Submitted by teachers)*

- Professional development
- Classroom lessons and staff visits
- Experiential learning and activities
- Service and community engagement

## School-Wide Credits

*(Submitted by the Green School Coordinator)*

- Whole school sustainability initiatives
- Environmental education assemblies
- Garden and environmental clubs
- Outdoor Learning Areas & Green Grounds
- School event participation
- Staff training and initiatives

## Check out our Green School Program Guide!

Discover a wide range of FREE programs offered by Green School partners that are correlated with curriculum standards. We also accept activities from other Environmental Education organizations that serve Athens-Clarke County. Green School Programs make a positive impact on your school, students, personnel, and our environment.

**Green School documentation is due by April 30<sup>th</sup> each year**



**Green School Status Requirements**  
Elementary: 5 Participating Teachers & 25 Credits per school  
Middle/High: 25 Credits per school

**Green Teacher Status Requirements**  
Elementary/Middle/High: 5 Credits\*

\*You can be a Green Teacher even if you are not a Green School!

## Green School Program Benefits

- ❖ Recognition for qualifying Green Schools, Green Teachers, and Green School Administrators
- ❖ Materials and resources to help you implement your Green School projects
- ❖ The monthly ACORN newsletter advertising local events, programs, professional development, and resources to help you implement Green School activities
- ❖ A webpage with information about environmental education opportunities
- ❖ Registered Green Schools are eligible to apply for Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful Green School Mini Grants and workshop scholarships
- ❖ Other perks like the Teacher Reuse Store, mascot visits, plants and seeds for school gardens, and other department resources!

## How can you become a Green School?

- ❖ Any public/private school in Athens-Clarke County is eligible to participate in this voluntary program.
- ❖ Identify a school coordinator to manage communications and school-wide credits.
- ❖ If you are new to the program, register your school online. Returning schools must renew and update their registration information by September 30<sup>th</sup> each year. Teachers may join or leave the program at any time.
- ❖ Have your school staff document Green School Activities and Lessons.