



### Green School Program and Activity Guide

The Green School Program is designed to assist schools and teachers with environmental education and improvement efforts. The activities and lessons included in the program focus on conservation, preservation and beautification of our environment. This joint effort between multiple Athens-Clarke County Departments supports schools with expanded educational opportunities and community engagement.

[www.accgreenschools.org](http://www.accgreenschools.org)

#### In the Classroom (Lessons)

Activity	Points	Date
GreenFest Art Submission (whole class & accurate theme)	1	
Recycling Division Lesson - Teacher Led	1	
Recycling Staff Visit (includes Binny & Veto mascots)	1	
Read for Recycling Participation	1	
Vulture Carrion Checkout	1	
America Recycles Day Lesson	1	
Classroom Planting Activity	1	
Enviroscape Presentation - Classroom	1	
Inkjet Collection - Classroom (no duplicate credit)	1	
KACCB Staff Visit (includes Bee Bee Clean mascot)	1	
Wartville Wizard Lesson	1	
Waste in Place Lesson	1	
KACCB Lesson - Teacher Led	1	
Classroom Vermicompost Bin	1	
Extension Staff Classroom Visit	1	
Master Gardener Classroom Visit	1	
Master Composter Classroom Visit	1	
Farmer Classroom Visit	1	
Junior Master Gardener or SPROUTS Lesson - Teacher Led	1	
Water Sampling - Teacher Led	1	
Stormwater Staff Visit (includes Tortuga mascot)	1	
Rain Barrel Workshop or Art Activity - Classroom	1	
Freddie the Fish Lesson - Teacher Led	1	
Project WET Stormwater Module Lesson - Teacher Led	1	
Stormwater Lesson - Teacher Led (see options on Stormwater website)	1	
Little Lily's Classroom Journal	1	
Little Lily's Pad Hop	1	
Project WET Lesson - Performed by teacher	1	
Water Conservation Lesson - Teacher Led	1	
Water Conservation Staff Visit (includes Lily Anne Phibian mascot)	1	
Other EE Speakers or Presentations	1	
EE Literature/Storytime	1	
UGA Insect Zoo Visit	1	
UGA Bag the Bag Classroom Visit	1	
Arborist Classroom Visit	1	
Community Forester Classroom Visit	1	
Monarchs Across Georgia Lesson	1	
Project Learning Tree Lesson	1	
Project WILD Lesson	1	

#### School Wide Sustainability Initiatives & Infrastructure (Items in this section should be submitted by the Green School Coordinator ONLY.)

Activity	Points	Date
School Wide Compost Collection & Campaign*	2	
Food Waste Reduction Campaign*	1	
Recycling Campaign*	1	
School Film Plastic Bag Collection	1	
Inkjet Collection (no duplicate credit if individual teachers receive points)	2	
MLK Day of Service Site	1	
Schoolwide Garden Workday	1	
School Garden Soil Test	1	
School Garden Site Visit	1	
After-School Garden Club	2	
School Rain Garden Installation	2	
School Rain Barrel Installation	1	
Walk to School Day or Event	1	

\*Must be approved by Recycling Division Staff

#### Get Outside (Experiential Learning)

Activity	Points	Date
Landfill & Compost Facility Tour	1	
Recycling Facility Tour	1	
CHaRM Tour	1	
Waste Audit	2	
Tree Planting or Arbor Day Activity	1	
Tree Care (pruning or mulching) - Teacher Led	1	
Farm Visit	1	
Water Quality Testing Activity	1	
Storm Drain Decaling - On Campus	2	
Stream Cleanup - On Campus	2	
Drinking Water Treatment Plant Field Trip	1	
Water Drop Loan Box Rental	1	
Water Reclamation Facility Field Trip	1	
Water Resources Center Presentation - field trip add on	1	
Water Resources Center Lab Tour - field trip add on	1	
Bear Hollow Field Trip	1	
Classroom Visit to Park or Greenway	1	
Earth Day Observation	1	
Farm Field Trip	1	
Sandy Creek Nature Center Field Trip	1	
State Botanical Garden of Georgia Field Trip	1	
UGA Latin American Ethnobotanical Garden Field Trip	1	
Other EE Field Trip	1	

#### Give Back (Service & Community Engagement)

Activity	Points	Date
Chipper Volunteer Team	2	
Litter Cleanup - Classroom	2	
Litter Audit - Classroom	1	
Outdoor Classroom Workday	1	
MLK Day of Service Participation - Teacher or School Team	2	
Storm Drain Decaling - Field Trip	2	
Stream Cleanup - Field Trip	2	
Rivers Alive Participation - Teacher or School Team	2	
Volunteer for Athens Water Festival	2	
School Environmental Day of Service Event	2	

Activity	Points	Date
School Battery Collection	1	
School Recycling Team	1	
Special Item Recycling Drive	1	
Custodial Staff Recycling Training	1	
Drip Irrigation System	2	
Water Conservation Assembly (school wide)	2	
Water Conservation Assembly (grade level)	1	
Water Conservation Campaign	2	
School Environmental or Garden Club	2	
School Wide EE Assembly	2	
Grade Level EE Assembly	1	
School Garden Produce Consumption - Cafeteria	1	
School Lunch Challenge Participation - Team or Judge	1	

#### Teacher Time (Professional Development)

Activity	Points	Date
Teacher Recycling Division Tour Attendance (separate from class tour)	1	
Green Life Expo Attendance - Teacher	1	
Project WILD or Learning Tree Training - Teacher	1	
Extension Education Session (Free Monthly Gardening Class)	1	
Master Composter Training - Teacher	2	
Master Gardener Training - Teacher	2	
Master Naturalist Training - Teacher	2	
Teacher Water Sampling Event Attendance	1	
Teacher Rain Barrel Workshop Attendance	1	
Teacher Stormwater Event Attendance - Other	1	
Project WET Certification - Teacher (earn once upon completion of workshop)	2	
Teacher Drinking Water Treatment Plant Tour Attendance (separate from class tour)	1	
Teacher Wastewater Reclamation Facility Tour Attendance (separate from class tour)	1	
Green Schools Training Event (Kickoff or Green School Staff Visit)	1	
Staff Sustainability Training (Custodians, Nutrition, etc.)	1	
Advanced Training in Environmental Education	2	
Georgia EEA Conference Attendance	1	
Georgia EEA Outdoor Learning Symposium Attendance	1	
Teacher Native Plant Certificate	2	
Georgia Organics Conference Attendance	1	
Monarchs Across Georgia Training - Teacher	1	

#### Activity Source Key (Who sponsored the eligible activity?)

ACC Recycling Division
Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful
Extension Office
ACC Stormwater Management Program
ACC Water Conservation Office
Other Organizations

#### Green School Program Guidelines (How Does it Work?)

- Each school will have a Green School Coordinator who will submit the Green School registration form and any schoolwide activities.
- To participate in the program, each school must complete the online registration form by September 30.
- Schools must earn at least 25 points by completing approved Green School activities to earn Green School status.
- Teachers will submit their Green School activities via the online submission form. These points will go toward the school's total and each teacher is also eligible to become a Green Teacher after earning 5 individual points.
- These Green School activities and lessons come from **Activity Sources**, which is how they are classified and recorded in the online submission form. These are: **ACC Recycling Division, Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful, UGA ACC Extension Office, ACC Stormwater Management Program, ACC Water Conservation Office, and Other Organizations.**
- All activities must be submitted to the program to receive Green School points by April 30.