



GREEN Schools Canada Newsletter

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Photo from Haldane School, Chase BC

GREEN Schools Canada Updates

Schools right across the country continue to be active in GREEN Schools. Many schools have registered at <http://www.greenschools.ca/> everywhere from the Pacific to the Atlantic. Several schools have reported their recent achievements.

They are:

Earth VI Status

Stony Mountain School, Stony Mountain, MB

Earth Status:

Bertha Kennedy Catholic Community School, St. Albert, AB

Emerald Status:

École Edwards Elementary School, Airdrie, AB

Jade Status:

École Beau Soleil/École Secondaire College Mathieu, SK

Elizabeth Finch School, Edmonton, AB

Green Status:

Canadian International School, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Silver Status

McDonald Drive Junior High, St. John's, NL

We've Joined Hands with Alberta GREEN Schools



Great news! We have recently developed **Alberta GREEN Schools** which is a joint initiative with the

Alberta Council for Environmental Education. Our aim is to more efficiently meet the needs of schools in Alberta and to streamline the process for teachers. We now have a common registration program. You can become an Alberta GREEN Schools member and a GREEN Schools Canada member at the same time. To find out more about Alberta GREEN Schools and register [click here](#).

Upcoming Events

Earth Matters Conference



The Alberta Council for Environmental Education

(ACEE) is planning a conference from April 24-26th in the Rocky Mountains! They promise to provide inspirational speakers, relevant workshops, and ample opportunities for you to work with other educators in a community of practice that is directly relevant to your work-

Congratulations to all of you for your hard work towards protecting our environment and don't forget to update your progress on the greenschools.ca website.

The GREEN Schools Canada Online Store is Launched!

You are now able to purchase kits, replacement banners, and great GREEN Schools Canada incentives for your school.

Check it out at

<http://www.greenschools.ca/products>



Post a Green Project Contest Winner

Congratulations to Angelina Gauthier of Bouchie Lake School in Quesnel, BC. Her name was selected in a draw of all names of people who contributed ideas for green projects to www.greenschools.ca between September and November.

Links to interesting sites



Here are a few sites that might be helpful in planning your GREEN Schools Canada activities. Even though you may be working with a different group, you may still count your activities for them for Green Schools

- [Green Schools Nova Scotia](#)
- [B.C. Green Games](#)
- [Eco Kids](#)
- [Alberta GREEN Schools](#)
- [Ontario Eco Schools](#)

because the Earth Matters. For more information [click here](#).

Win a \$25,000 Computer Lab For Your School

The Staples Canada Recycle for Education Computer Lab Contest opened yesterday! Staples Canada, in collaboration with Earth Day Canada will be giving 10 schools a full computer lab, each valued at \$25,000. Apply before February 21, 2014. [Enter here](#).



Earth Day[®]
CANADA

Earth Day Canada is on Wednesday, April 22nd

this year. Now is the time to make plans to celebrate in environmentally friendly ways. These activities count towards your GREEN Schools Canada Awards [Click here](#) to learn more.



UN World Water Day is March 22nd.

To find out more about how you can take part in this day, [click here](#).

Migration Counts - A SEEDS Canadian Bird Challenge



This activity is easy, fun and educational. Starte

Since 1991, the Bird Challenge has been designed to involve teachers, students and parents in an enjoyable springtime event to better their understanding of their area's bird species, habitats, and migration. The Challenge is in its 24th year!

In April, May and June, your class, or your entire school can participate in what is truly an exciting event!

This is an opportunity to complement the outgrowth of increasing student interest in bird conservation and protection through a 48-hour bird count.

It's easy to get started! The 2014 Bird Challenge is available now. You will find it on

the left side of our home page at
www.greenschools.ca or [click here](#)

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