

City of Bellevue - Schools Outreach Program

High School Resources

Waste Reduction, Recycling and Composting

Waste Reduction, Recycling and Composting Assistance – The City provides help to Bellevue Schools to set up or improve waste reduction, composting and recycling, which can also save money on solid waste management. Through this program, tailored, on-site assistance and outreach, as well as tools to improve the program, are available. Outreach items are tailored for each school, but can include: lunch time staffing and presentations, working with student groups to improve or start composting and recycling in the cafeteria and special event promotional tables during school events or science fairs. Tools that are available to schools include recycling and composting signage and containers (while supplies last), lanyards for student lunch monitor teams and composting posters. The City also has “on loan” materials such as recycled product kits.

For more information or for assistance, contact the City’s recycling specialist: Sam Wilder at 206-763-0739 or swilder@wilderenvironmental.com.

Green Team Workshops – Is your class or environmental club ready to move from classroom learning to environmental action? Green Team workshops are ideal for leadership groups, environmental clubs or life skills classes interested in projects such as improving or expanding the school recycling program, marking storm drains with “Dump No Waste” messages, planting native gardens or educating peers or younger students about environmental topics. Teams that complete projects are eligible to win prizes and recognition.

For more information or to schedule a Green Team workshop or discuss project ideas, contact a Green Team specialist at 206-583-0655 or greenteam@triangleassociates.com.

Advanced Placement Environmental Science (APES) Presentations and Support

- funding for buses to support classes visiting the Cedar Hills landfill, sewage treatment plant and local recycling centers,
- displays at events (recycling and Carbon Yeti),
- mentoring of senior projects,
- sponsoring environmental “Go Green Movie Matinees,”
- APES teachers with local event information and opportunities,
- Loaner copies of movies that may be of interest to show in the classroom on a variety of environmental topics, etc. (see below)

Contact: Jennifer Goodhart, Conservation & Outreach Program Administrator, 425-452-6197 or jgoodhart@bellevuewa.gov.

Salmon, Streams & Stormwater

Stream Team Outreach – includes booths at events, in-class presentations and field work on the subjects of salmon in streams/pollution prevention and macroinvertebrates for the APES classes. In addition, many APES students volunteer with the Stream Team to do habitat restoration and plant native plants.

Contact Laurie Devereaux, Stream Team Coordinator,
425-452-5200 or ldevereaux@bellevuewa.gov.

Loaner Materials

Videos

- The Next Industrial Revolution
- Exporting Harm: The High Tech Trashing of Asia
- The Digital Dump: Exporting Re-Use and Abuse to Africa
- What Happens to Your Recyclables (King County)
- The Story of Stuff with Annie Leonard
- Trashed (This is the story of garbage...American style)
- The 11th Hour – Turn Mankind's Darkest Hour Into Its Finest (Produced and Narrated by Leonardo DiCaprio)

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Pollution Prevention

Watershed Education Programs

Free Classroom Programs for Bellevue Schools

Be the Solution!

Students will become familiar with our local riparian areas, and understand what we can all do to help keep our waterways clean and healthy. Program includes Bellevue-specific knowledge, a short media presentation, and a minds-on town meeting activity in which students must play a role, take a position for or against a water quality issue, and defend it to the decision-making body.



New! Blue Teams

You have the opportunity to create a youth-powered Blue Team to help care for one of our most precious natural resources – WATER! Blue Teams carry out a water quality action project that promotes watershed sustainability and stewardship in their community. Each team receives expert help from a Water Specialist- help in planning, preparing for, and executing their project.

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This year the City of Bellevue Conservation & Outreach Group is sponsoring Be the Solution workshops and Blue Teams for Middle and High School science classrooms. We want all of our citizens to appreciate the natural water systems that help keep our water clean. So, join us and immerse your students in the *Nature* of Bellevue! Programs are free of charge! Groups can be 30 or less, and we can accommodate almost any date or time throughout the school year. The classroom presentations last about one hour and are linked to state standards. Programs are led by Nature Vision, a local non-profit organization of experienced environmental educators.

To register, visit <http://www.naturevision.org/program-registration/>. Register online or print out the registration form and fax it in per the instructions. Under program cost, write Bellevue. To register for a Blue team, visit <http://www.naturevision.org/blue-teams-service-projects/>, fill out the registration form and send in via fax or scan and email.

Pollution Prevention Newspaper Ads and Fundraising Car Wash Outreach – includes placing full page ads in Newport High School's, Bellevue High School's and Sammamish High School's student newspapers promoting preventing stormwater pollution. A consultant also provides outreach to the Activity Director and ASB on proper ways to hold a car wash fundraiser (promoting selling car wash coupons (or other alternatives) or checking out a car wash kit from the City).