



ON HOW TO MAKE YOUR CLASSROOM GREENER

Take care of the air.



An open window or air-cleansing plant helps create a healthier classroom.

Reduce paper usage.

When you need to use paper, choose FSC-certified paper products. Create a bin for scratch paper that's only been used on one side.



Encourage waste-free lunches.

Use re-usable napkins and containers.



Power down.



Turn computers off instead of putting them in sleep mode on weekends and after school.

Promote non-toxic backpacks.



Many vinyl back-to-school supplies, including backpacks, contain elevated levels of phthalates and may also contain lead.



Reduce, reuse and only then recycle.

Buy less. Buy used. Buy recycled (or otherwise greener) options.

Walk to school.

Spending time outdoors increases well-being and concentration... and walking reduces your environmental footprint.



Kick chemical cleaners.



Making your own eco-friendly cleaners can be a fun science project.

Declare your school a scent-free zone.

Hairspray, deodorant and lip gloss are loaded with fragrance, which is associated with rising asthma and other childhood respiratory conditions.



Eliminate single-use plastic water bottles.

Use reusable water bottles instead!