

2023-2024

EcoConnections

Elementary Workshops

Please note grade level recommendations and workshop duration



Schedule 2-4 in-person classroom workshops for your school! A skilled classroom presenter will:

- visit one class at a time, for 2-4 workshops on the same day. For fewer or more, please inquire with scheduler.
- present a mixture of different workshops or the same workshop for each class - you can choose.
- move from one classroom to the next with approximately 10 minutes between each workshop.
- accommodate breaks for recess or lunch.
- all workshop content is tied to WA State Education Standards.

All workshops are available for in-person instruction. Contact the scheduler for select virtual workshop options.

All workshops are 45-60 minutes in length and can be tailored to your classroom schedule.

Storytelling with Noodle the Gnome (K-1)

The storytelling program combines arts enrichment, exploration in natural resources, and waste reduction and recycling topics in a workshop-like setting.

Healthy Habitat (Grades 1-2) Students explore the basic components of habitats; food, water, shelter, and space, through discussions and a interactive games. Students make the connection between their everyday actions, the 4Rs, and healthy habitat.

Rethink and Reuse (Grades 1-3) Students explore reuse and recycling and understand the different effects of each on the environment. Using common reusable items, students will do an art project to understand the difference between reusable and disposable everyday items and begin to be aware of ways to reuse things.

Plastic Pollution in Our Oceans (Grades 2-3)

Students investigate the role of disposable plastics in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Students learn how their simple everyday actions can save natural resources and contribute to a healthy marine ecosystem and healthy planet.

Habitat Stewardship (Grades 3-5)

This advanced habitat workshop introduces the concept of stewardship, providing an in-depth look at the necessary components of habitat and our role in keeping it healthy. Students examine their personal choices and their impacts on the environment as they learn about several native Northwest animals and their habitats.

Garbology and the Science of Decomposition (Grades 4-5)

Through inquiry-based activities, students discover the simple science of decomposition and what happens to the things that we throw away. Students become "garbologists" as they learn how our local landfill works and why practicing the 4Rs is important for a healthy planet.

Our Climate, R Choices (Grades 4-5)

This workshop introduces students to the basics of climate change and ways to reduce their impact, or footprint, on the planet. Students investigate a product's life cycle and learn about the connection between the manufacture, use, and disposal of everyday items and the emission of greenhouse gases. Through discussion and interactive activities, they discover how practicing the 4Rs can help reduce our impact on Earth's climate.

Dive into the Great Pacific Garbage Patch (Grades 4-5)

Students investigate the role of disposable plastics in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Through visuals that convey the importance and beauty of healthy oceans, students learn how their simple everyday actions can save natural resources and contribute to a healthy marine ecosystem.

SPANISH LANGUAGE WORKSHOPS

Hábitat Saludables (Grades 4-5) This workshop, taught entirely in Spanish, helps students understand the connections between habitat and the 4Rs. Students participate in engaging games and activities to learn how everyday actions can protect habitats.

Recicla Más (Grades 3-5)

In this workshop, taught entirely in Spanish, students participate in fun and engaging activities to learn what can and can't be recycled. Students discover how recycling right and avoiding contamination can help us reduce our waste and save natural resources.



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Want to register or have questions?
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