

Kids grow and learn better in pollution-free schools



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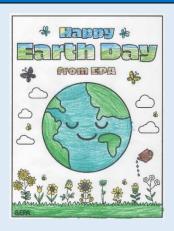
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Celebrate Earth Day With EPA This Month!

Celebrate Earth Day with us today and throughout the month of April! Here at EPA, we like to say "Earth Day, Every Day!" but we also recognize the significance of the first Earth Day on April 22, 1970, and all of the environmental work that has happened in our communities since to make our Earth a healthy home for all!

Looking for an easy Earth Day activity for your classroom? Our **Earth Day coloring sheets** are a great way to get your students involved – just have them color in this fun sheet! Use the finished sheets to decorate your classroom, for an environmental art fair, or have students discuss other ways to reuse or recycle them!



Looking for other ideas, lesson plans or guides to help teach your students about the environment? Check out our Environmental Resources for Educators site! Click on the different Topics tab to display various materials on Air, Climate Change, Ecosystems, Health, Waste and more! Below are some of the new items that have recently been posted:

- Nature's Benefit The Card Game (Ecosystems) Card Game and Guide for Grades 6-12
- Mercury Messes with the Environment (Health) Activity Book for Grades K-5
- Electric School Bus Activity Book (Climate Change) Activity Book for Grades K-5
- Educating Youth About Wasted Food (Waste) Website for Grades K-12

White House Summit for Sustainable School Buildings and Grounds



The first-ever White House Summit for Sustainable and Healthy K-12 School Buildings and Grounds was held on April 26, 2024, and highlighted the equitable access to energy efficient, climate resilient, and healthy school facilities. Seattle Public Schools and Portland Public Schools were both mentioned.

Students, educators, administrators, parents, and other interested parties can check out the recording at:

https://youtube.com/live/a-m1pC1rWUE

Show Me The Funding - \$\$\$!

Remember to check EPA's <u>Children's Health Grants and Funding Opportunities</u> site to see a listing of EPA competitive funding announcements for projects and programs related to improving children's health where they live, learn and play, which includes our local schools and playgrounds!

Check out our other sites for additional information and resources:

- Past issues of EPA Region 10 Healthy Schools News: https://www.epa.gov/children/healthy-schools-news-pacific-northwest
- EPA Schools: <u>www.epa.gov/schools</u>
- EPA Environmental Education: https://www.epa.gov/education
- EPA Children's Environmental Health: www.epa.gov/children

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