



The District's Green Scene

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Going Green For Fall

There are many opportunities to GO GREEN this Fall!

COLORING CONTEST FOR CREATIVE CONSERVATIONISTS



Are you drawn to recycling? Are you waiting for your brush with fame? The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County is partnering with WFLX-TV FOX29 and Whole Foods Market to create a coloring contest for creative recyclers! Winners will receive prizes and recognition at

a celebration of America Recycles Day (swa.org/ard) on Nov. 19 at the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County's Education Center in West Palm Beach.

To enter, Palm Beach County artists of all ages may pick up the official America Recycles Day coloring page at participating Whole Foods Market stores or download and print it from swa.org/coloring. The deadline to enter is Nov. 4, 2016.

Entries will be judged by age group, including a category for adults, and the judges will be looking for creativity, originality, artistic skill and clarity. Artists may use whatever physical media they wish, except collage and computer-generated artwork.

HAVE FUN AND GOOD LUCK!

GREEN GRANTS AWARD WINNERS

Application spots filled up very quickly for our new Green Grants program! Congrats to the following schools on their winning applications, which focused on recycling:



Hidden Oaks Elem.

Sunset Palms Elem.

South Intensive Transition

Boca Raton Elem.

Jupiter Middle

Wellington Elem.

Don Estridge High Tech Middle



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GREEN APPLE DAY OF SERVICE

This internationally recognized program gives parents, teachers, students, and local organizations the opportunity to transform our schools into healthy, safe and productive learning environments through local service events. Green Apple Day of Service is a GREAT way to make an impact on the environment, support health and wellness at school, or advance environmental and sustainability literacy.

Green Apple Day of Service will take place on Saturday, September 24, 2016. Be sure to register at www.greenapple.org if your school is planning a day of service any time during the month of September! You can also find project ideas and promotional tools on the Green Apple website.

Congratulations to **Elbridge Gale Elem.**, and **Gove Elem.** for registering their service projects! Elbridge Gale will be planting flowers and Gove will be sponsoring a Walk to School Day, as well as pledging their going-green goals for the school year. Let us know what your school is doing with the hashtag [#GreenApplePBC](https://twitter.com/GreenApplePBC).

REGISTER FOR RECYCLE BOWL 2016



According to Keep America Beautiful, recycling is one of the easiest and most effective actions ANYONE can do to

protect natural resources, conserve energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and create jobs. Want to ignite recycling in your school? The Recycle-Bowl Challenge begins Monday, October 17, 2016 and runs through Tuesday, November 15, 2016. Be sure to sign your school up! Visit <https://www.kab.org/recycle-bowl>

HOW LOW CAN YOU GO CHALLENGE

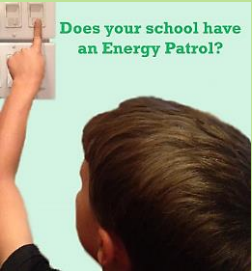


The Miami Heat is challenging South Florida schools to enter the “How Low Can You Go?” Energy Efficiency Challenge. Through the Broward County School District, this contest challenges schools to reduce energy consumption over a 3 month time period. The winning school will receive a Miami Heat Championship Banner and Plaque, plus recognition on the Miami Heat floor during the NBA Green Week!

Last year, participating schools reduced over 1.7 million kWh, which saved over \$143,000. Now it's Palm Beach's turn to show 'em what we got! Let's engage our students in a fun way to learn more about energy conservation, all while saving the planet and reducing our carbon footprint.

So, How Low Can You Go? Which school will reduce their energy consumption the most? For registration info, email: sustainability@palmbeachschools.org.

DOES YOUR SCHOOL HAVE AN ENERGY PATROL?



An Energy Patrol ensures that lights and electronics are turned off when no one is using them. The Energy Patrol can reduce your school's energy costs so that more money can be used for school programs. It also gives students an opportunity to practice leadership skills by getting involved and taking responsibility for their school. For more info, visit www.palmbeachschools.org/ecs

COASTAL CLEANUP—COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS



Ocean pollution is an important environmental issue that affects the health of people and wildlife. Sign your school up for the world's largest

volunteer effort for our ocean by participating in the *International Coastal Cleanup*. T-shirts and cleanup materials available while supplies last!

For dates and site info, visit: www.keepPBCbeautiful.org

For volunteer info, email: info@keepPBCbeautiful.org

“EVERY KID IN A PARK PASS” FOR 4TH GRADERS



It's the 2nd year of the Every Kid in a Park program, which gives 4th graders and their families free access to federal lands and waters nationwide for a full year! This includes Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee Refuge, Everglades National Park and Biscayne National Park. Visit <https://www.everykidinapark.gov/>

GREEN YOUR SCHOOL FOR THE GREATER GOOD



Polo Park Middle School is one of ten finalists in the Tom's of Maine, *Green Your School for the Greater Good* contest.

Voting runs until October 17th, and the winners will be announced in November. Please share and vote for The Green Stallion Project: <http://www.tomsofmaine.com/greenschoolfund>

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION GRANTS

[FFWCC: High School Fishing Grant](#)

Deadline: September 15th, 2016

[Lowe's ToolBox for Education Grant](#)

Deadline: September 26th, 2016

[Captain Planet Foundation](#)

Deadline: September 30th, 2016

[Project Learning Tree: Greenworks!](#)

Deadline: September 30th, 2016

[Florida Agriculture in the Classroom](#)

Deadline: September 30th, 2016

[Target Field Trip Grants](#)

Deadline: October 1st, 2016




JOIN US IN BEING A GREEN LEADER!



Lead the way toward sustainability in your school and become an *official* Green Leader! Green Leaders have a passion for water and energy conservation, recycling and preserving the environment. Email us to learn more! sustainability@palmbeachschools.org

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