



School Program Guide

The following programs have been developed according to the Illinois Learning Standards

PreK-1: Environmental Literacy Program. Books and activities rotate monthly.

1st grade: Planet Earth: Where We Live!
This session is an introduction to our natural surroundings. Students will become more familiar with the world that surrounds them and how everything we use comes from the natural world.

2nd grade: Environment 101 This session introduces students to our environment. Where does all the stuff we use come from? What can we do to be more careful about what we use? Learn the 4 R's and how they can be used in the student's everyday lives.

3rd grade: Waste Makers VS Conservation Kids
Students will learn where their garbage goes, discuss littering and decomposition. They will learn to reduce the waste they generate by packing a waste free lunch. Bill Nye Movie included at teacher's request.

4th grade: Recycled Water
Students will discover the stages of water cycle and the importance of water to all living things. They can evaluate their water usage and ways to conserve. We will play a game called the "wacky water cycle" and get crazy singing the water cycle boogie.

4th grade: ISAT Prep This program includes a basic introduction to recycling, natural resources, renewable and non-renewable resources as well as a quiz with sample questions from the previous ISAT tests. This program helps prepare for the ISATs while learning valuable natural resource information.

Programs presented free of charge by Peoria County Recycling

5th grade: Packaging What a Waste! Students are introduced to the functions of packaging and the impact all that waste has on the environment. They will explore reasons for packaging and get to design their own "environmentally friendly" package

6th grade: You Can Make a Difference?
Learn where aluminum comes from and how it is made. See how the earth's precious natural resources are damaged in the mining of bauxite ore. Watch a 10 minute video on aluminum production and learn how recycling can really make a difference

7th grade: Landfills, Composts and Squirmy Worms
This session starts with a discussion about how much garbage Americans produce, where it goes and what we are going to do when the landfill is full. We look at alternatives like composting, vermi-composting, the 4R's and watch a video called Recycle More (12 min)0

8th grade: The Cost of Cool (2-45minute visits) This program focuses on youth, consumption and how their choices affect the environment. What is the environmental cost of being cool? How is advertising and marketing used to increase consumption? Students will figure out their own ecological footprint and learn how to make simple choices that make a difference. It includes a 26 minute film

We have a variety of DVDs and videos to complement these programs
Check out our lending library at www.peoriacounty.org/recycle



Contact Becca to schedule a program
681-2551 or rcottrell@peoriacounty.org



Peoria County Recycling Lending Library

Listed below are resources that may be checked out from Peoria County Recycling's lending library for classroom or program use.

Call Becca 681-2551 or email rcottrell@peoriacounty.org for more information.

Lending Kits:

Paper Making
Worm Bin
Recycled Content Products
Shrinky Dinks

Books:

PLT Coursework Lesson Plans (K-adult)
NEED Curriculum
Project Seasons (Prek-2)
Animal Tracks (1-6)
Lists of Children's Books with Environmental Messages

Videos:

Title	Duration	DVD	Grade Level
Bill Nye: Biodiversity and Garbage	25 min video	DVD	3rd-6th
Bill Nye: Pollution Solutions	26 min	DVD only	4th- adult
Bill Nye: the way Cool Game of Science		DVD only	4th- adult
A Kids Eye View of Ecology	28min	DVD only	2nd-6th
Composting for the 90's	10 min		5th-adult
Crunch, Smash, Trash	30 min		Prek-2nd
Do the Rot Thing	22 min		4th-up
Dr. Seuss' Lorax	52 min		1st-adult
E Think Series	27 min		4th-6th
Earth Aid: Recycling	17 min		3rd-7th
Earth Aid: Water Conservation	17 min		3rd-7th
Earth Day	12 min		1st-5th
Garbage Day	30 min		Prek-2nd
Garbage: the Revoluton Starts at Home	76 min	DVD only	7th-adult
Home Composting	17 min		4th-adult
Kids Talkin Trash	14 min		2nd-6th
Mr Roger's: The Env. and Recycling	15 min		Prek-1st
Power Up: Energy In Our Env.	23 min		4th-6th
Recycle More	12 min		5th-adult
Recycle Rex	10 min		Prek-3rd
Recycle This!	37 min		4th-6th
Recycling with Worms	13 min		4th-adult
Reducing, Reusing, and Recycling	27 min		2nd-6th
Stanley: Spring Fever	44 min		PreK-1st
Taking Care of the Earth	16 min		K-5th
The Coolest Can	10 min		2nd-5th
The Cost of Cool	26 min	DVD	7th-adult
The Lorax	52min	DVD	
The Rotten Truth			4th-6th
The Story of Garbage	23 min		4th-9th
Think Earth	7 min		1st-3rd
Think Twice	7 min		6th-adult
Trees, Who Needs Em!	20min		2nd-6th
We All Live Downstream	30 min		6th-adult
Wormania	26 min		1st-4th
Zort Sorts	15 min		1st-3rd