

## Healthy Schools: Online Resource Toolbox

*This issue of **Healthy Schools News** gives you quick access to useful resources from EPA. Here you will find information on key school health topics, funding, awards, environmental education, and more – all to help you create a healthier environment at school, for healthier students and staff. Please share with your colleagues and networks.*

### Resources for Healthy School Environments

<https://www.epa.gov/schools>

### Drinking Water in Schools and Child Care Facilities

Find information about drinking water quality in schools and child care facilities. This site includes guidance, tools, laws and regulations, and information about partners.

<http://water.epa.gov/infrastructure/drinkingwater/schools/index.cfm>

### 3Ts for Reducing Lead in Drinking Water Toolkit

EPA's 3Ts - **Training, Testing, and Taking Action** - provides tools for schools and child care facilities to implement voluntary lead in drinking water testing programs.

<https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/3ts-reducing-lead-drinking-water-toolkit>

### Sensible Steps to Healthier School Environments

Outlines cost-effective, affordable measures to address a variety of environmental issues in schools, to protect the health of students and staff.

<https://www.epa.gov/schools/sensible-steps-healthier-school-environments>

### Sensible Guide for Healthier School Renovations

Provides school administrators, facility managers, staff and the school community with an overview of how to avoid key environmental health hazards and ways to minimize children's exposures as they prepare for and undergo renovations.

<https://www.epa.gov/healthy-schools-healthy-kids/sensible-guide-healthier-school-renovations>

### Schools Chemical Cleanout Campaign (SC3)

SC3 gives K-12 schools information and tools to responsibly manage chemicals.

<http://www2.epa.gov/schools-chemicals/schools-chemical-cleanout-campaign-industry-leaders-are-part-solution>

### Radon in Schools

High levels of radon have been found in schools across the country. Find out if a potential problem could exist in your school.

<https://www.epa.gov/radon/radon-schools>

### Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in Schools

Provides safe and usually less costly options for effective integrated pest management options for schools. School IPM programs use strategies to reduce sources of food, water and shelter for pests.

<http://www2.epa.gov/managing-pests-schools/webinars-about-integrated-pest-management-schools>

### Smart Growth and Schools

A school's location affects student safety, community health, and the environment.

<http://www2.epa.gov/smartgrowth/smart-growth-and-school-siting>

### ENERGY STAR for K-12 School Districts

Discover your school's buried energy treasure. Find guidance and tools to achieve energy efficiency in your school.

[https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/about\\_us/campaigns/treasure\\_hunt/resources](https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/about_us/campaigns/treasure_hunt/resources)



### Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Tools for Schools Program

Take steps to reduce exposures to indoor contaminants in schools through voluntary adoption of sound indoor air quality management practices. Find resources to help identify, correct, and prevent IAQ problems.

<http://www2.epa.gov/iaq-schools>

### Air Quality Flag Program

The Air Quality Flag Program helps raise people's awareness about air pollution using colored flags. Schools and organizations raise a flag each day that indicates the local forecast based on EPA's Air Quality Index.

[https://www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=flag\\_program.index](https://www.airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=flag_program.index)

### Safer Choice for Schools

Learn how choosing safer cleaning products can help create healthier learning environments. Browse *Safer Choice* products for your school.

<https://www.epa.gov/saferchoice>

### School Food Share

This toolkit was developed to help prevent and minimize wasted food in schools, and redirect consumable food to those who need it, through a replicable model for school food recovery.

<https://www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food/washington-school-food-share-program-toolkit>

### Spanish Language Resources

View information about healthy schools in Spanish. Aprenda acerca de como establecer y mejorar los ambientes escolares sanos.

<https://espanol.epa.gov/espanol/ambientes-escolares-sanos>



## Resources for Environmental Education

### Environmental Education Grants

This annual EPA program helps fund environmental education projects that promote awareness and stewardship and help provide people with the skills to take responsible actions to protect the environment.

<https://www.epa.gov/education/grants>

### President's Environmental Youth Award

This annual award program recognizes outstanding environmental projects by K-12 youth. The PEYA program promotes awareness of our nation's natural resources and encourages positive community involvement.

<https://www.epa.gov/education/presidents-environmental-youth-award>

### Presidential Innovation Award for Environmental Educators

This annual award recognizes outstanding K-12 teachers who employ innovative approaches to environmental education and use the environment as a context for teaching.

<https://www.epa.gov/education/presidential-innovation-award-environmental-educators>

### Learning and Teaching About the Environment

Find homework resources, lesson plans, and project ideas for students.

<https://www.epa.gov/students>

### EnviroAtlas: Web-based Mapping, Analysis, Education

EnviroAtlas provides geospatial data, easy-to-use tools, and other resources related to ecosystem services, their stressors, and human health. It offers educational modules for all grades, including interactive, hands-on lessons.

<https://www.epa.gov/enviroatlas>

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