

# How to find sustainability resources for schools

Research shows that sustainability in operations and education produces positive outcomes for schools.

**90%**

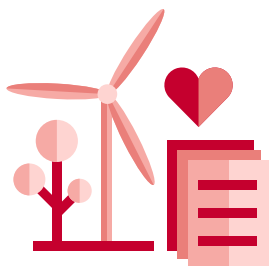
increase in overall student skills when sustainability courses are included

**87%**

less absenteeism in schools with sustainable facilities

**74%**

boost in attracting and retaining teachers



## How to teach sustainability: thought-starters to complete lesson plans

Your school district or state board of education may already offer sustainability curricula. Look to government agencies, non-profit organizations and corporations for additional resources.



## Practicing sustainability makes the perfect partner to teaching it

Schools need to teach by example as much as by lesson plan. Several organizations offer guides to operating a sustainable school.



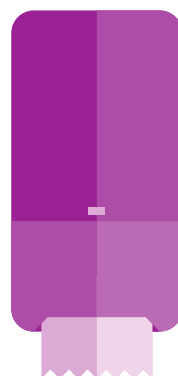
## Consider joining a sustainability education organization

Explore joining one of the associations that are combining educational, governmental and community resources to make the most of sustainability in education.



## Apply for a sustainability education grant

Your school may well qualify for one of the many grants that support the teaching and practice of sustainability.



## New products and technologies can help

Look to upgrades, like innovative dispensing technology that doubles the paper towels you carry and store, as they are compressed by 50%.

Sources: *School Sustainability Handbook* – Academy for Global Citizenship | *Re-sources.org* – (example of local resource/WA state) | *Sustainable Schools Project* (esp. curricular resources) | *Green Ribbon Schools* – US Dept. of Education | *Why green schools?* – Green School Alliance | *Tork* – Education section

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