

**Green Action Centre** is your green living hub, with more than 30 years of experience in environmental programming. Looking to start or complement sustainable initiatives in your classroom, school, or division? Green Action Centre has both the expertise and the programming to meet your needs, vision, and curricula.

**Our mission** is to promote greener and better living through environmental education and by encouraging practical green solutions for schools, workplaces, households, and communities.

# School Services

## Waste Reduction



We offer composting, food waste prevention, recycling, and climate change presentations and services for all grades. Our areas of focus include: **Rethink, Reduce, Reuse, Refuse, and Recycle.**

Did you know that by composting food waste you can divert up to 40% of your waste and reduce greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change? What's more, the finished product is a valuable resource that improves soil health and helps plants grow.

### Events

Waste Reduction Week (October)

[www.greenactioncentre.ca/wastereduction](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca/wastereduction)

International Compost Awareness Week (May)

[www.greenactioncentre.ca/celebratecompost](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca/celebratecompost)

## Presentations

### Vermicomposting

**45-60 minutes | Grades K-8**

During this interactive presentation, we teach students about composting with red wiggler worms.

### School & Backyard Composting

**45 minutes | Grades K-12**

This is an interactive multimedia presentation where we teach the basics of how and why to compost. It's geared to the age and ability of students.

### The Food Cycle & Air Quality

**45-60 minutes | Grades 1-12**

During this presentation, younger grades have an interactive look at how the food cycle impacts our land, water, and air. For older grades, we use contemporary art to dig deeper into the connection between food waste and air quality.

## Services

### On-site Compost Set-up & Training

We provide assistance setting up an on-site composting program (outdoor bins or indoor worms). Note: schools provide the compost bins/worms.

## Active School Travel



We envision a province where all children can **walk and bike to school on safe routes**. Our Active and Safe Routes to School program encourages active school travel through events, presentations, and programming. Walking and cycling as a means of transportation are on the decline in Canada, as part of an international trend toward more sedentary lifestyles and an increased dependence on vehicles. We're here to change that.

### Events

Walktober (October)

[www.greenactioncentre.ca/walktoschool](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca/walktoschool)

Winter Walk & Wheel Week (February)

[www.greenactioncentre.ca/winterwalkwheel](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca/winterwalkwheel)

Bike to School Month (May)

[www.greenactioncentre.ca/biketoschool](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca/biketoschool)

Clean Air Day (June)

[www.greenactioncentre.ca/cadforschools](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca/cadforschools)

### Presentations

#### What's Hiding in our Air?

**60 minutes | Grades 1-6**

During this science-based presentation, we measure air quality in and around your school and encourage students to walk and bike more often.

#### Bike Blender Presentation or Rental

**30-60 minutes | Grades 5-12**

We bring our bike blender to this presentation and make pedal powered smoothies while teaching students how bikes are an effective mode of transportation.

### Services

#### School Travel Planning

We take a holistic approach to address the barriers that keep students from walking and wheeling to school. We work with school communities to create action plans that reduce barriers and increase active school travel rates.

#### BikeWalkRoll

How are students travelling to your school? Use our free online classroom tool to collect and track transportation data. See your results and progress in real time, while comparing your scores to schools across the province. Visit [www.bikewalkroll.org](http://www.bikewalkroll.org).

### Booking

School programming is supported by government and community grants, as well as sponsorships and donations. However, funding covers only a portion of our expenses and therefore fees are charged in some instances. Please enquire about rates for your school.

For presentation availability outside of Winnipeg, please contact us.

If you would like more information or to request a presentation, please contact us or visit our school services page at [www.greenactioncentre.ca/SchoolServices](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca/SchoolServices).

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