

York County Solid Waste Authority

Teacher Newsletter!

Environmental Education Programs and Field Trip Information For YOU!



We Are Truckin' Into The New School Year With Exciting Opportunities!



In-Class Programs

Are you on the lookout for a program that will teach your students about the importance of preserving natural resources and how that subject relates to being responsible with our garbage? If so, we've got a program or two for you.

YCSWA currently offers a program called Recycled Paper Revelations that teaches this lesson and provides a hands-on activity.

Were you looking for something a little more earthy. We've got you covered there too. Our program titled Vermicomposting: Worms with an Appetite is beyond earthy. We literally bring earth (dirt) into the classroom and create a worm habitat. We speak to the students about how yard waste and food waste can be recycled by feeding it to red wiggler worms. These worms will eat the waste and create a rich soil that can be added to any plant soil to make it healthier.

Contact us today if you would like to schedule of of these mind-stimulating programs which are targeted to students in grades 1-12.

Want to find out more? Click the button below.



America Recycles Day Elementary School Assembly

America Recycles Day is one of the most exciting days of the year for us...well, really one of the most exciting weeks. We offer the most fun, animated program you will ever see on the subject of waste-to-energy. It's the story of how we take York County's municipal trash and recycle it into electricity. Not only is this a fascinating assembly for your students, it's free to you. Go ahead! Invite us in for a fun and educational assembly you and your students will never forget. This FREE 45-50 minute assembly, titled "Magic Pots and Recycled Bottles", is designed for 200 children. It is best suited for grades k-6. The focus of the program is teaching proper recycling habits. Assemblies are scheduled during the first two full weeks of November. The presenter utilizes puppets made from recycled materials in this energy-filled interactive program. Schools must register in advance for this program and we will schedule assemblies on a first come, first served basis. Click the button below for additional information.

Additional Information



Hello Environmental Education Partner!

We would love to partner with you! We are looking for schools to partner with us and offer additional environmental education programs and opportunities. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection offers grants for this type of partnership. For more information click the button below .

Partner with Us!



Check Out Our New Logo and Website

Have you seen our new logo and website? We hope our new logo better symbolizes who YCSWA is as an organization. We also hope that our new website is more user-friendly. Click the button below to check it out.



Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Young Ambassador Program

Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, in partnership with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), invites Pennsylvania 10th -12th grade students to help keep Pennsylvania clean and beautiful through the Young Ambassadors of Pennsylvania program. Students will be chosen through a competitive application process.

Over the nine-month program, Young Ambassadors of Pennsylvania will be guided through a six-step process to implement change in their communities. Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful will provide education and training to program participants on topics related to the impact of litter on roadways, litter prevention, waste management and recycling, civic engagement and related public policy, volunteer management, and social media marketing. In addition, Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful has partnered with Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania funded by the NiSource Charitable Foundation to provide Job Shadow Days to select Ambassadors.

Students interested in applying should visit <u>keeppabeautiful.org</u> and choose Programs, Education then <u>Young</u> <u>Ambassadors of Pennsylvania</u> or contact Kylie McCutcheon at 724-836-4121 x114 or <u>kmccutcheon@keeppabeautiful.org</u>.

Deadline to apply is September 14.

Apply Here!



Take a Tour

Students enjoy visiting the York County Resource Recovery Center (YCRRC) for an educational tour. It stimulates all of the senses and outlines the process of turning York County's trash into an alternative fuel to produce power. You can also tour the Hopewell Area Recreation Complex to learn how a closed landfill was turned into a beautiful recreation space for the community. Taking a tour is FREE and we offer a Tour Scholarship Program which pays for your bus to visit us. Students must be at least six years of age. Find out more by clicking the button below.



Earth Day Recycled Art Contest

The Earth Day Recycled Art Contest is a great opportunity for any high school student who is passionate about art. Each year, we invite York County high school students to collect unwanted items and/or trash to create an art piece which will be displayed and judged during Earth Day week. Participants are honored during a reception and the top three winners are awarded prizes. For more information, click the button below.

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