FCPS Get2Green Presents

EARTH DAY every day Home Edition

Grades 7-12

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E Watershed Day	Consumption and Waste Day	R Climate Change Day	Energy Day	Great Outdoors Day
☐ What is a watershed? What watershed do you live in? Check Fairfax County's Watershed map to find out!	☐ Clean up litter in your yard or neighborhood. Bring a bag for trash and recyclables.	□ Watch: <u>History of</u> <u>Earth Day</u> or <u>Earth Day 1970-2019</u> : How Waste Has Changed	☐ Watch: Discover where your energy comes from in the Science Museum of Virginia's energy video	☐ Biodiversity Walk What organisms live outside your home? Take a walk and record what you find. Then draw a food chain or life cycle.
☐ Watch this TedEd video about how plastic bottles are made and what happens to them after we use them.	☐ Take a walk around your neighborhood or local park. Bring a reusable water bottle to stay hydrated during your adventure.	☐ Watch: Climate Change Basics to learn about climate change and what actions you can take.	☐ Calculate your Ecological Footprint. How many Earths would we need if everyone lived your lifestyle?	☐ What do you appreciate most about trees? Watch this History of Arbor Day video
☐ Explore your yard or neighborhood. Draw a map of the area you explore. Include a key of important landmarks like trees. Where does the water go when it rains?	☐ What four types of items can be recycled in FCPS? Visit Get2Green's recycling page to learn more.	☐ Reflect: How does being an Ethical and Global Citizen connect to Earth Day?	☐ Check out Get2Green's energy dashboard. How much energy does your school use?	☐ Go outside and conduct an <u>A-Z</u> <u>Scavenger Hunt</u>
☐ Watch: What is a Freshwater Ecologist? How many fish species are there in Fairfax County?	☐ Create upcycled art, accessories, or wearable item.	☐ How does your diet contribute to climate change? or ☐ Discover the environmental impact of your favorite foods.	☐ We wouldn't be here without the sun! Go outside with a book or journal and read, write or draw in the natural sunlight.	□ Plant seeds or small plants in a pot or garden.
☐ Calculate your Water Footprint.	☐ Watch: Take a virtual tour of <u>recycling</u> and waste-to-energy <u>facilities.</u>	☐ Use sidewalk chalk to share Earth Day art or inspirational words around your home.	☐ Make energy saving reminders (unplug, turn off lights, etc.) and post them around your home.	☐ Go outside and write a poem or song about what in nature inspires you.



EARTH Bingo Home Edition

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day with FCPS Earth Week!

Why: To have fun while celebrating environmental stewardship and equipping everyone with the skills and knowledge needed to successfully address school, home, community, and global issues. Sustainability best practices are essential to developing Ethical and Global Citizen skills in students, and adults must model best practices.

How: Choose either the Elementary or Secondary EARTH Bingo board. Select an activity for each day of the week to spell E-A-R-T-H in any direction. Complete the entire board for extra fun and learning!

When: Earth Week is April 20-24, 2020 but you can celebrate Earth Week anytime.

Ideas to engage your entire family:

- Have your family wear the color of the day, take a family photo, and Tweet your picture to share your family's Earth Week spirit.
- Share the joke of the day and fun facts with your friends and family.
- Use the EARTH Home Edition bingo board anytime to engage in meaningful learning.
- Tweet or have your parents tweet to <u>@FCPSGet2Green</u> using <u>#FCPSEarthWeek</u> to share what you are doing for Earth Week.

Explore the <u>Get2Green website</u> to find links to a plethora of useful resources and information.

