

2022-2023 **IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL**

EcoConnections

Elementary Workshops

Please note grade level recommendations and workshop duration



Schedule 2-4 in-person or virtual classroom workshops for your school! A skilled classroom presenter will:

- visit one class at a time, for 2-4 workshops on the same day.
- present a mixture of different workshops or the same workshop for each class - you can choose.
- For fewer or more workshops, please inquire with our scheduler.
- move from one classroom to the next with 5 to 10 minutes between each workshop.
- accommodate breaks for recess or lunch.

All workshops are 40-60 minutes in length and can be tailored to fit your classroom schedule.

PRIMARY

Healthy Habitat Grades 1-3

– Students explore the basic components of habitat—food, water, shelter, and space—through discussions and an interactive game that introduces them to several native Northwest animals and their habitat needs. Students make the connection between their everyday actions, the 4Rs, and healthy habitat.

Rethink and Reuse (Grades 1-3)

– Students explore reuse and recycling and understand the different effects of each on the environment. Using common reusable items, students will do an art project to understand the difference between reusable and disposable everyday items and begin to be aware of ways to reuse things.

Dive into the Great Pacific Garbage Patch - (Grades 1-3)

– Students investigate the role of disposable plastics in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Through visuals that convey the importance and beauty of healthy oceans, students learn how their simple everyday actions can save natural resources and contribute to a healthy marine ecosystem and healthy planet.

INTERMEDIATE

Garbology and the Science of Decomposition Grades 3-6

– Through inquiry-based activities, students discover the simple science of decomposition and what happens to the things that we throw away. Students become “garbologists” as they learn how our local landfill works and why practicing the 4Rs is important for a healthy planet.

Habitat Stewardship Grades 3-6

– This advanced habitat workshop introduces the concept of stewardship, providing an in-depth look at the necessary components of habitat and our role in keeping it healthy. Students examine their personal choices and their impacts on the environment as they learn about several native Northwest animals and their habitats.

Our Climate, R Choices Grades 3-6

– This workshop introduces students to the basics of climate change and ways to reduce their impact, or footprint, on the planet. Students investigate a product’s life cycle and learn about the connection between the manufacture, use, and disposal of everyday items and the emission of greenhouse gases. Through discussion and interactive activities, they discover how practicing the 4Rs can help reduce our impact on Earth's climate.

Plastic Pollution in Our Oceans (Grades 4-6)

– Students investigate the role of disposable plastics in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Through visuals that convey the importance and beauty of healthy oceans, students learn how their simple everyday actions can save natural resources and contribute to a healthy marine ecosystem.

SPANISH LANGUAGE WORKSHOPS GRADES

Hábitat Saludables Grades 4-5

– This workshop, taught entirely in Spanish, helps students understand the connections between habitat and the 4Rs. Students participate in engaging games and activities to learn how everyday actions can protect habitats.

Recicla Más Grades 3-5

– In this workshop, taught entirely in Spanish, students participate in fun and engaging activities to learn what can and can't be recycled. Students discover how recycling right and avoiding contamination can help us reduce our waste and save natural resources.

All workshop content is tied to Washington State Education Standards. For details, visit <https://kingcounty.gov/~media/depts/dnrp/solid-waste/elementary-school/documents/elementary-workshops-ed-standards.ashx?la=en>

or call 206-583-0655 ext. 111.



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Questions?
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For more information visit your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/elementaryschool/index.asp.