



## King County Green Schools Program Podcast

### Show Notes: Episode #4

Sustainability and social justice are the focus of this podcast episode. Listeners are invited to make connections between sustainability, social justice, and environmental justice. You now can **subscribe to the podcast** on several platforms by visiting this link on the [King County Green Schools website](#).

#### Sustainability Action for the Month

The Washington State legislature is in session until April 25, 2021. Now is a great time to connect with legislators. This is something all students can do by calling, sending an email, or writing a letter.

Communicating with legislators is a powerful tool to make student voices heard.

- Students can [find](#) their federal, state, and local representatives, then visit an elected official's website to find contact information for sending letters or scheduling a meeting on an environmental justice issue.
- Students can read an [overview](#) of the state's legislative process and [find bills introduced by keywords](#) to support, oppose, or recommend amendments.
- [Washington Conservation Voters](#): This nonpartisan organization provides opportunities for volunteering and internships, and offers scorecards on how Washington State legislators voted on legislation regarding clean air, clean water, and a healthy environment.

#### Green Team or classroom activities

- See the [January/February Green Team Activities](#) sheet for discussion questions, videos, and reading recommendations to pair with this podcast episode. Also see history and current events below.
- Research and plan [sustainable purchasing](#) as a social justice and sustainability activity.

#### Resources that informed the show

##### Definitions

- [Sustainability](#)
- [Social justice](#)
- [Environmental justice](#)

##### History and current events

- Read about [The History of Sustainability](#) and [Reframing Sustainability As A Social Justice Issue](#).
- Learn about the [1960's Fish Wars](#) in Washington State.
- Engage with the history of [environmental justice](#).
- Discuss current events and how communities have taken action on environmental justice.
  - [Flint, Michigan Water Crisis](#)
  - [Sea level rise in South Florida](#)

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