

PROGRAM SECTIONS



Waste Minimization



Teamwork and Leadership



School Ground Greening



Curriculum



Energy Conservation



Environmental Stewardship

These six sections identify areas where students can take action in reducing the environmental footprint of their schools while connecting environmental learning to daily practices.

ECOSCHOOLS PROGRAM

- Voluntary certification program dedicated to engaging schools in environmental learning and action
- Centered on promoting student engagement, leadership and collaboration



EVERY SCHOOL AN ECOSCHOOL



IMPACT

- In 2016-2017, there were over 1830 certified schools in 56 school boards across Ontario
- Certified EcoSchools produce less waste and use less energy than non-certified schools



RESEARCH

- Examined various partnerships formed with Ontario EcoSchools to provide a baseline
- Produced a report on the role of community partnerships in EcoSchools program
- Presented key findings and recommendations to executive team

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Collaboration is vital in sustainability
- Schools occupy a unique space in society and have the potential to build sustainable communities
- Start small and build upon your successes each year

CERTIFICATION

- Evaluated applications and provided feedback for 50+ schools on their environmental program
- Conducted site visits to elementary and secondary schools
- Facilitated a training session with new assessors on the certification process