

4R 4Ever



Program Activities List

Choose at least three (3) **4R 4Ever** activities to implement over the course of the school year:

1. Continue school wide recycling paper program implemented for 4REE.
2. Implement recycling program for hard-to-recycle items, such as beverage bottles, books, crayon stubs, ink cartridges, beverage pouches, wrappers and/or containers, cell phones, etc.
 - a. Possible partners and /or fundraising options: www.averillrecycling.com, www.crazycrayons.com, www.fundingfactory.com, www.racetorecycle.com, www.terracycle.net
3. Host a book, toy and/or clothing swap, or hold a locker/desk clean-out
 - a. Note grade(s) involved, date of event(s), what was swapped and quantities or list of items diverted through locker/desk clean-out and how items managed.
4. Create student art from waste materials.
 - a. Minimum one grade level.
 - b. Explain how this was implemented, include photos and a list of waste materials used.
5. Hold a litter clean-up event at a public place, like your school campus and/or park, and recycle all collected recyclable plastics, metal and paper.
 - a. Track quantity of each material type recycled, by number of bags or by weight, where recycled and dollar value, if any received.
6. Participate in the annual MMWA Earth Day poster contest; details at www.recyclemotion.org.
 - a. Minimum one grade level
 - b. List all class(es) that participated, # of students in each class
7. Hold a waste audit of school campus generated trash.
 - a. Report findings and suggested 4R improvements to school principal.
8. Collect clean used plastic shopping bags for a reuse shop or recycle them at a local retailer, such as Wal-Mart, Kohl's, Meijer, or Kroger drop-off location.
 - a. Track quantity recycled by number of bags or by weight.
9. Recycle or reuse old computer equipment, including CD/DVD's.
 - a. Explain how this was implemented – Ex. Drop off for recycling at Goodwill locations.
10. Celebrate America Recycles Day (November 15) with a special school-wide 4R activity(s). Ideas can be found at www.americarecyclesday.org.
11. Implement a school-wide policy of paper conservation and recycling.
 - a. Provide a copy of the principal-approved and implemented policy.
12. Implement a school-wide policy of reusing and/or recycling used school supplies. Target items such as notebooks, paper, pencils, pens, folders, binders, lost and found items, etc.
 - a. Describe sorting process and redistribution of salvaged items. List item types & volumes.
13. Implement a school-wide copy paper procurement policy of purchasing at least 30% recycled content paper.
14. Fill in the blank 4R activity: _____