

Additional Activities & Resources

Do you have a supply wish list for the year?

Maybe you need paint brushes, tin cans, margarine tubs, yarn or bottle caps? We can help!

Register the wish list of your organization or school on www.PorterCountyRecycling.org and be a part of the very first Porter County Reuse Fair. The deadline for your wish list is Aug. 12. The event is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 24 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Portage. Find out more on www.PorterCountyRecycling.org.



Teacher Professional Development Programs

Throughout the academic year, Dunes Learning Center, in partnership with Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, provides high-quality, professional development opportunities for K-12 classroom teachers and non-formal educators. Workshops feature experts in various fields of study, hands-on activities, and adventures within the national lakeshore. For more information on the workshops available this year, please visit: www.duneslearningcenter.org



Get ready to rally!

Recycle Rally from the Pepsi Company is a free nationwide program that directly benefits K-12 schools and students by providing valuable incentives and resources to help make recycling easy, fun, and rewarding. Whether you've been recycling for years or are just getting started, Recycle Rally will help boost the excitement and provide an array of tools to make recycling a big deal in your school. Check out PepsicoRecycling.com for more information.



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Notes from Glen

Recycling & Waste Reduction District

Educator Newsletter



Hi! I'm Glen.
Are you a new teacher?
We have an exciting
offer just for you!
See page 3 for details.

Hello Education Professional!

The Recycling & Waste Reduction District of Porter County is dedicated to providing **FREE** K-12 education programs to students within Porter County.

We provide thought-provoking and interactive lessons, guided by Indiana state standards, that offer students a hands-on opportunity to learn. Our goal is to prompt continued inquiry and action concerning environmental issues. Through programs that incorporate a variety of learning styles, we strive to encourage students to learn through exploration, logical thinking and discovery.

Take a peek inside to see what exciting programs we have to offer!

Your friend,

Glen the Garbologist

Educational Programs

Check out the long list of **FREE** high quality, thought-provoking, interactive education programs that not only provide an opportunity to learn but prompt continued inquiry.

District programs include:

Program Name	Grades Served
Edible Landfill	3 - 8
Wonderful Worms	K - 6
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rethink	K - 7
Water Watchers	2 - 5
Lovely Ladybugs <i>(Sept., Oct., April & May only)</i>	K - 2
Dunes in My Backyard	1 - 4
Lesson of the Lorax	K - 2
Pollution Town	3 - 5
Renewable Energy	4 - 7
Garbology	3 - 8
Pollution Tunnel	K - 2

We schedule on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to schedule your programs early for this school year. Last year, most of our spring dates were booked by the end of September! We try to accommodate as many teachers as possible and have adopted a policy of one program in April or May and one program in fall or winter.

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Visit www.PorterCountyRecycling.org for more info on these programs and the state standards they meet.

District News

ATTENTION NEW TEACHERS!

(and teachers we haven't heard from since the 2012-2013 school year)

We have a special program booking window just for you!

From Aug. 17-31, book a program during the school year and have your name entered for a chance to win a hand chair for your school. A winner will be drawn Sept. 1.

Teachers who annually request our programs can begin scheduling with us on Sept. 1.

Don't miss our news and program information. Update your school contact information on our website: www.PorterCountyRecycling.org.



America Recycles Day School Contest



Create your school/classroom's recycling mascot and enter the Porter County America Recycles Day contest! The class or school mascot with the most online votes will win a hand chair!

Use clean recyclables and waste to create your mascot, much like we did when we created Garbi. Please use at least 75% curbside recyclables. Our online guide can help you determine if your materials are recyclable or not.



Garbi

You can engineer your mascot to sit, stand, or be mounted on the wall, but he/it must be photographed for the online contest. One good high resolution photo will suffice, but we will also post multiple photos. Name your mascot and give us a brief description of what it's made from. Be creative!

We will post all mascot photos online for voting from Nov. 1-10. The school or class recycling mascot with the most votes will win a hand chair! Get your friends and families to visit our site and cast their votes! Details will be posted on www.PorterCountyRecycling.org.