Ways to make School Greener

Recycling of electronics and computers in school can help make school greener.

Computers are built out of connectors, semiconductors, circuit boards, and other items that contain heavy metals and even toxic chemicals. There is almost no way to dispose of these items safely in a manner that is good for the environment. They can, however, be recycled or even refurbished and reused.

Eating junk food everyday is not only bad for us, but could be bad for the environment. We need to take care of our bodies just like we do our planet. Eating healthy and organic food can be better for us and for the environment.

A class can plant an organic garden. This way students can learn how organic food can have a positive impact on their health and world.

A school should use food and produce produced by local farmers. Food that is produced locally doesn't have to be transported as far and saves on fuel and pollution helping the environment.

Students should pack a trash free lunch to reduce the amount of trash thrown away in the School campus. Bringing lunch in a lunch box or reusable bag instead of paper is a good start. Instead of a napkin, students can pack a washcloth to wipe their face and hands with. Fresh fruits and homemade foods such as sandwiches are excellent and healthier alternatives to the prepackaged foods and snacks.

Conservation or reducing the amount of paper used is an important part of recycling. One important way to help conserve is to use both sides of paper when you are taking notes, writing papers . There should be a scrap paper box in which student can place a paper that has a clean side to write on.

Students should turn off the lights whenever they leave a room to help save energy. They should turn off those electronics when they are not in use to prevent wasting energy. Conserving water usage is important as well, so students should make sure that the faucets are not dripping or left on in the bathroom.