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Resources for All Types of Projects

<p>The Academy of Science-St. Louis</p> <p>http://academyofsciencestl.org</p>	<p>The Academy of Science-St. Louis is an independent science organization that offers free and low-cost community-wide STEM experiences and opportunities for students and adults from throughout the metro region and surrounding counties. Programs and activities include science and STEM career explorations, BioBlitz family oriented events in urban parks, teen science cafes, free public science seminars at regional venues, and the Junior Academy of Science for students in grades 6-12.</p>
<p>The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education</p> <p>http://www.aashe.org/</p>	<p>The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) has an online resource center that contains information on sustainability in higher education and offers tools, information, and guidance for administrators, faculty, operations staff, students, and other campus stakeholders to transform their campus into a sustainable one. STARS is a self-reporting framework offered by AASHE for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance.</p>
<p>Bridging the Gap</p> <p>www.bridgingthegap.org</p>	<p>Bridging The Gap works to make the Kansas City region sustainable by connecting environment, economy and community. The organization educates citizens, businesses and governments about the impact their decisions have on our environment, and help them follow through with direct action to make our world, region and community green, healthy and sustainable.</p>
<p>Center for a New American Dream – Kids Unbranded Action Kit</p> <p>https://newdream.org/kids-and-commercialism</p>	<p>The Center for a New American Dream seeks to cultivate a new American dream – one that emphasizes community, ecological sustainability, and a celebration of non-material values. Ads are everywhere these days and kids are especially susceptible to the harms of this advertising onslaught, including materialism and psychological and behavioral problems. Moreover, this encouragement to value materialistic aims conflicts with children’s ability to make the broader changes required to live more sustainably. Kids Unbranded is a program designed to give children valuable noncommercial space in their lives to just be kids.</p>



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<p>Center for Green Schools</p> <p>www.centerforgreenschools.org</p>	<p>The Center for Green Schools was established by the U.S. Green Building Council to drive the transformation of all schools into sustainable and healthy places to live, learn, work and play. By promoting the design and construction of green schools, and by greening the operations and maintenance of existing schools, we can make a tremendous impact on student health, school operational costs and the environment. The Center works directly with teachers, students, administrators, elected officials and communities to create programs, resources and partnerships that transform all schools into healthy learning environments. Their website is full of helpful resources!</p>
<p>City of St. Louis, Mayor’s Office</p> <p>https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/mayor/</p>	<p>The City of St. Louis harnesses the strength and spirit of its diverse community to create an economically, socially and ecologically vibrant City for present and future generations - one that dynamically serves those who live, work, and play in the City’s rich and celebrated historic landscape.</p> <p>Contact: Catherine Werner, email: WernerC@StLouis-mo.gov, phone number: 314-853-6388</p>
<p>Diversity Awareness Partnership</p> <p>https://dapinclusive.org/</p>	<p>Diversity Awareness Partnership is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting diversity in the St. Louis region around issues of race, religion, disability, sexual orientation and gender identity. They achieve their mission through youth program, diversity training, community forums and diversity publications.</p>
<p>EarthWays Center of Missouri Botanical Garden</p> <p>www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/media/fact-pages/earthways-center.aspx</p>	<p>The EarthWays Center is a leader in the field of educating for sustainability, and its staff and programs have been a regional resource since 1988. By making materials and topics relevant to today's learner and providing interdisciplinary, hands-on instruction for audiences of all ages, the EarthWays Center promotes wise resource use through shaping students' behavior and changing school cultures.</p> <p>Contact: Kat Golden, email: katherine.golden@mobot.org, phone number: 314-577-0207</p>



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<p>Eco-Schools USA – National Wildlife Federation http://www.nwf.org/Eco-Schools-USA.aspx</p>	<p>Eco-Schools USA is a program that provides a framework to help educators integrate sustainable principles throughout their schools and curriculum. It uses a program of Seven Steps that involves a wide diversity of individuals from the school community - with students playing a primary role in the process. Eco-Schools USA's Seven Steps framework offers a step-by-step method to implement your program, but it is a flexible process that allows you to complete each step in the way that best suits your school and situation. The Seven Steps are 1. Establish an Eco-Action Team, 2. Perform an Environmental Review / Audit, 3. Develop an Eco-Action Plan, 4. Monitor and Evaluate Progress, 5. Link to the Educational Curriculum, 6. Involve the Entire School and Larger Community, 7. Create an "Eco-Code" or Mission Statement. <i>Recognition:</i> Schools can apply for one of three Eco-Schools USA Awards, Bronze (self-assessed), Silver (self-assessed) and Green Flag. Green flags must be renewed every two years. A school is considered to be a permanent Eco-School once it has gained its fourth Green Flag.</p>
<p>Education for Sustainable Development Toolkit http://www.esdtoolkit.org/</p>	<p>The ESD Toolkit is an easy-to-use manual for beginning the process of combining education and sustainability. The Toolkit can help schools and communities develop a process for creating locally relevant and culturally appropriate education. This Toolkit is based on the idea that communities and educational systems need to dovetail their sustainability efforts for mutual reinforcement. Ideally, local educational systems can reorient existing curriculums to reinforce local sustainability goals.</p>
<p>Environmental Education Association of Illinois http://www.eeai.net</p>	<p>Since initiated in 1972, The Mission of the Environmental Education of Illinois (EEAI) has been to maintain a vital network that supports and advances quality environmental education throughout the state. As host to national, state-based and independent professional development events and curriculums such as Project Flying WILD, Growing UP WILD, Prairie School Project and the Midwest Environmental Education Consortium, EEAI has set professional standards for educators.</p>
<p>Experiential Education Exchange https://www.eeestl.org/</p>	<p>The Experiential Education Exchange believes students, be they 3- or 53- years old, learn best when they authentically EXPERIENCE a topic. The Experiential Education Exchange community supports excellent practice in experiential education and catalyzes growth and innovation.</p>



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<p>Green Schools Alliance – SMART Schools Toolkit</p> <p>https://www.greenschoolsalliance.org/resources/category/1</p>	<p>Green Schools Alliance is an international organization of sustainable schools that fosters collaboration among its members to help them set and meet individual and collective sustainability goals. The resource section on their website is developed for schools to share ideas and best practices. Schools come at sustainability from many directions, and your sustainability plan should reflect your school’s unique needs.</p>
<p>Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly</p> <p>http://catalyst.greenschoolsnationalnetwork.org/gscatalyst</p>	<p>The Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly (GSCQ) is a free online publication dedicated to the advancement of green, healthy, sustainable K-12 schools. GSCQ is a peer reviewed, high interest digital magazine that highlights evidence-based practices for replication in green, healthy, sustainable schools. GSCQ explores issues in-depth, including qualitative and quantitative research, and includes columns that report on and explore emergent issues.</p>
<p>Green Schools Conference & Expo</p> <p>http://greenschoolsconference.org/</p>	<p>The Green Schools Conference & Expo brings together green schools’ leaders and champions, including educators, school administrators, nonprofit and corporate partners, and elected officials, to advance the shared vision of green schools for all within this generation. GSCE is presented by the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council. The Center for Green Schools believes that everyone, from kindergartner entering the classroom to the Ph.D. student performing research in a lab, should have the ability to learn in a green school.</p>
<p>Green Schools Initiative</p> <p>http://www.greenschools.net</p>	<p>The Green Schools Initiative website provides information and resources for eliminating toxics, using resources sustainably, creating green schoolyards and buildings, serving healthy food and teaching environmental literacy and stewardship.</p>



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<p>Green Schools National Network – GreenPrint™</p> <p>https://greenschoolsnationalnetwork.org/greenprint/</p>	<p>Green Schools Nation Network works with educators, government, and non-governmental organizations and agencies to create broad-based initiatives and successful strategies aimed at fostering healthy, sustainable K-12 schools across the US. “GreenPrint™” is a road map of conscious actions that lead to more ecological and sustainable practices. By using this map, leaders, teachers and students can begin to implement five core practices immediately. These include: Curriculum that Advances Environmental Literacy and Sustainability, Stewardship and Service Learning, Sustainable Facilities Design and Management, Health and Well Being, and Strong Partnerships and Networks. Through long-term commitment to these core practices, schools and school districts work toward implementation of all benchmarks at the highest level.</p>
<p>Green Ribbon Schools (U.S. Dept. of Education)</p> <p>http://www2.ed.gov/programs/green-ribbon-schools/index.html</p> <p>Missouri Green Schools (for MO applicants):</p> <p>http://www.missourigreenschools.org/</p>	<p>The U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon Schools (ED-GRS) recognition award honors schools and districts that are exemplary in reducing environmental impact and costs; improving the health and wellness of students and staff; and providing effective environmental and sustainability education, which incorporates STEM, civic skills and green career pathways.</p> <p>Resource link: http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/green-strides/resources.html</p>
<p>Habitat for Humanity Saint Louis ReStore</p> <p>https://www.habitatstl.org/support/restore/</p>	<p>The ReStore resells donated building materials and home supplies, raising money to build more homes while keeping reusable items out of area landfills. They offer meaningful educational volunteer opportunities for youths 16-18 years of age.</p>
<p>IL Math & Science Association (IMSA)</p> <p>https://www.imsa.edu/</p>	<p>IMSA Professional Field Services offers professional development for teachers and enrichment programs for students.</p>
<p>Learning Lab – USGBC Center for Green School’s Online Sustainability Curriculum Portal</p> <p>https://learninglab.usgbc.org/</p>	<p>Learning Lab is a new online sustainability curriculum portal offered by the Center for Green Schools. It provides K-12 teachers and school leaders with comprehensive, project- and STEM-based curriculum that encourages student leadership, environmental literacy, and real-world action.</p>



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<p>Madison County Government - Green Schools Program</p> <p>http://www.co.madison.il.us/departments/planning_and_development/green_schools_program.php</p>	<p>Since 1990 Madison County Government has been working with local teachers, administrators, and green teams at public, private and parochial schools within the County to create healthy, safe, resource-efficient schools that educate sustainability-literate citizens.</p>
<p>Missouri Department of Natural Resources</p> <p>http://www.dnr.mo.gov/education/index.html</p>	<p>The Missouri Department of Natural Resources provides educational resources for all age levels. Topics range from alternative fuels to waste-to-energy projects, cover disciplines from economics to science, and are a source of educational activities that involve all students.</p>
<p>Missouri Environmental Education Association (MEEA)</p> <p>http://meea.org/</p>	<p>MEEA's mission is to connect Missouri's Environmental Educators, both teachers in the classroom and educators in agencies and organizations, with innovative professional development and networking opportunities to help them help Missourians become more environmentally responsible.</p>
<p>Missouri Interfaith Power & Light</p> <p>http://www.moipl.org/</p>	<p>Missouri Interfaith Power and Light provides support for environmental conservation and advocacy for interfaith congregations. Many congregations also support schools.</p>
<p>Northwest Earth Institute</p> <p>https://www.nwei.org/</p>	<p>The Northwest Earth Institute is a non-profit organization that inspires people to take responsibility for Earth. NWEI believes no change is too small — in fact, those tiny choices we make every day, by rote or by habit (paper or plastic? take or toss? borrow or buy?) are exactly where change is most possible and powerful. Through their discussion courses and the EcoChallenge, they help people discover shared learning, shared stories and shared action.</p>
<p>OneSTL</p> <p>http://www.onestl.org/</p> <p>https://onestltargets.org/</p>	<p>OneSTL is a plan for sustainable development that includes a vision, goals and objectives that outline a sustainable future for the St. Louis region as well as strategies, tools and resources for achieving the that vision. Visit the website to read the plan, explore the Toolkit (provides ideas, instructions and case studies for programs, projects and policies to guide incorporating sustainable practices), and support regional targets.</p>



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<p>Project Learning Tree (PLT) GreenSchools</p> <p>https://www.plt.org/apply-project-learning-tree-greenschools</p>	<p>Project Learning Tree (PLT) GreenSchools takes a comprehensive approach to greening a school and inspires students to take responsibility for improving the environment at their school, home, and in their community. The nationwide environmental service-learning program helps improve students' academic performance and provides teachers and students with training and resources to create healthier schools – and save money. The program is built around five hands-on, student-driven investigations: Energy, Water, School Site, Waste and Recycling, and Environmental Quality. Recognition as a Certified PLT GreenSchool is available.</p>
<p>Saint Louis Science Center</p> <p>http://www.slsc.org</p>	<p>The Saint Louis Science Center provides educational programs as well as field trips to their site. Their mission is to ignite and sustain lifelong science and technology learning.</p>
<p>St. Louis Audubon Society</p> <p>http://www.stlouisaudubon.org</p>	<p>The Bring Conservation Home Program provides on-site assistance to small, private landowners in the greater St. Louis area for the restoration of native plant and animal habitat on their grounds. The St. Louis Audubon Society will offer advice in landscaping with environmentally healthy and sustainable native plant species, the removal of invasive plant species, water conservation on the urban landscape, and other stewardship practices that promote healthy habitat for birds, native wildlife, and people.</p>
<p>St. Louis Earth Day</p> <p>https://earthday-365.org/</p>	<p>St. Louis Earth Day empowers you and your community to create and celebrate a greener St. Louis, every day, through Recycling On the Go, the Green Dining Alliance, Earth Day Action Grants, and the Earth Day Festival.</p>
<p>St. Louis Zoo</p> <p>http://www.stlzoo.org</p>	<p>The Saint Louis Zoo's educational services are an integral part of the institution's commitment to conservation. Since the 1960s, the Zoo has offered engaging programs, exhibits and materials that educate our community about wildlife, help visitors feel more connected to animals, and motivate them to take action to preserve the natural world.</p>



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<p>Shelburne Farms' Sustainable Schools Project</p> <p>http://sustainableschoolsproject.org/</p>	<p>Shelburne Farms is a nonprofit organization educating for a sustainable future. The Sustainable Schools Project is a professional learning model designed to help schools use sustainability as an integrating context for curriculum, community partnerships, and campus practices. Shelburne Farm's orients their work around the belief that educators are leaders in creating change in schools and communities toward a healthier and more just world. They define Educating for Sustainability as learning that links knowledge, inquiry, and action, which helps students build a healthy future for their communities and the planet.</p>
<p>The United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) – Sustainable Development Goals</p> <p>https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/</p>	<p>The Sustainable Development Goals are the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. They address the global challenges we face, including those related to poverty, inequality, climate, environmental degradation, prosperity, and peace and justice.</p>
<p>World's Largest Lesson</p> <p>http://worldslargestlesson.globalgoals.org/#the-goals</p>	<p>World's Largest Lesson introduces the Sustainable Development Goals to children and young people everywhere and unites them in action. This website includes a ton of quality resources and lesson plans built around the 17 global Sustainable Development Goals.</p>

Resources for Water Projects

<p>Missouri River Communities Network - Columbia, MO</p> <p>http://www.moriver.org/home/about-us/</p>	<p>The Missouri River Communities Network serves to enhance stewardship of the longest river in North America (2,341 miles long!), the mighty Missouri. They identify resources, organize, and provide technical assistance with a focus on food security and sustainable development in and around the Missouri River Valley.</p>
<p>Missouri River Relief</p> <p>http://www.riverrelief.org/</p>	<p>Missouri River Relief is a grassroots, volunteer and equipment based not-for-profit organization dedicated to connecting people to the Missouri River through river clean-ups, education events and stewardship activities. The organization emerged organically from a group of people in mid-Missouri who simultaneously recognized the need for engaged stewardship of the Missouri River and the desire of citizens to take part in watershed solutions.</p>



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<p>River des Peres Watershed Coalition</p> <p>http://www.riverdesperes.org/</p>	<p>River des Peres Watershed Coalition offers volunteer opportunities for area students and scout groups in habitat restoration, native planting, rain garden creation and rain barrel construction.</p>
<p>Shoeman Water Projects</p> <p>https://www.shoecrewwater.org/</p>	<p>Shoeman Water Projects, based out of Chesterfield, MO, collects donated shoes and exports them to places such as Kenya, Haiti and South America for resale. The non-profit uses the funds for clean water programs in communities around the world.</p>
<p>The Audubon Center at Riverlands</p> <p>http://riverlands.audubon.org</p>	<p>The Audubon Center at Riverlands combines the strength of Audubon with the support of local partners to connect people with the power, beauty, and natural diversity of our nation’s greatest river – the Mississippi.</p>
<p>Three Rivers Project of the Sierra Club</p> <p>http://www.sierraclub.org/illinois/piasa-palisades/about-us</p>	<p>The Three Rivers Project offers high school upper Mississippi River curriculum/Field Day combination where the students travel to local venues to work in a professional setting and participate in “river issues solving” sessions. The issue solving session is meant to mimic a real-world civic experience where students from two schools work together to form consensus, utilizing requested input from the experts in their critical thinking process, and then present their solutions to the group.</p>
<p>Trout Unlimited Mid-Missouri Chapter</p> <p>https://midmissouri.tu.org/midmissouri/about-mid-mo-tu</p>	<p>Trout Unlimited Mid-Missouri Chapter is dedicated to the preservation of cold water resources. Their mission is to conserve, protect, and restore North America’s trout and salmon fisheries and their watersheds.</p>
<p>US Army Corps of Engineers</p> <p>http://www.usace.army.mil/</p>	<p>The US Army Corps provides classroom presentations/lessons, field trip opportunities, and special events/programs. They also provide teacher workshops and curriculum.</p>

Resources for Energy Projects

<p>3 degrees: Ameren Missouri Pure Power</p> <p>https://www.ameren.com/missouri/environment/pure-power</p>	<p>Pure Power is a voluntary green energy program available to all Ameren Missouri customers who want to support Missouri wind energy and all its benefits to the environment and to a better future.</p>
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<p>Alliance to Save Energy https://www.ase.org/</p>	<p>The Alliance to Save Energy offers lesson plans and tips for implementing a school-wide energy efficiency program.</p>
<p>Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives http://www.amec.coop/</p>	<p>AMEC offers tips and tools to conserve energy. AMEC is a statewide organization that represents Missouri’s 47 electric co-ops. Their mission is to provide a means for electric cooperatives to work together and accomplish things collectively.</p>
<p>ENERGY STAR https://www.energystar.gov/buildings?s=mega</p>	<p>Energy Star offers comprehensive information on reducing energy use in all buildings.</p>
<p>ENERGY STAR Treasure Hunt https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/about-us/campaigns/treasure_hunt</p> <p>ENERGY STAR Treasure Map for K-12 Schools https://www.energystar.gov/sites/default/files/tools/14336%20ES%20Treasure%20Hunt%20checklist%20K-12%20v05.pdf</p>	<p>During an Energy Treasure Hunt, teams walk around a building looking for quick ways to save energy. Those quick fixes can add up to big savings. Hundreds of organizations have used Energy Treasure Hunts to reduce their facilities’ energy use by 7 to 15 percent. Energy Star offers a special treasure hunt guide for K-12 schools.</p>
<p>Missouri Solar Energy Industries Association https://moseia.com/</p>	<p>MOSEIA’s mission is to strengthen and expand the solar industry and establish a sustainable energy future for all Missourians. MOSEIA goal is to accelerate the solar industry in Missouri while raising industry standards. MOSEIA members are required to sign a Code of Ethics vowing to conduct their business with the utmost integrity.</p>
<p>Washington University – Photosynthetic Antenna Research Center (PARC) https://parc.wustl.edu/</p>	<p>The Washington University in St. Louis Photosynthetic Antenna Resource Center offers curriculum, kits, and workshops for teaching about renewable energy. In addition, the university can accommodate groups for sustainability tours.</p>



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Resources for Habitat/ Nature Projects

<p>Forest Park Forever</p> <p>http://www.forestparkforever.org/</p>	<p>Forest Park Forever offers professional development, field trip destinations, volunteer opportunities and classroom presentations.</p>
<p>Forest ReLeaf of Missouri</p> <p>http://moreleaf.org</p>	<p>Forest ReLeaf of Missouri is a catalyst for restoring and sustaining or urban forests, with the help of thousands of volunteers, we are planting trees and enriching communities.</p>
<p>Great Rivers Greenway District</p> <p>https://greatriversgreenway.org/</p>	<p>Great Rivers Greenway is the public organization building a regional system of greenways, parks, and trails in St. Louis City and County and St. Charles County.</p>
<p>Green Schoolyards America – Living Schoolyard Month Activity Guide</p> <p>http://www.greenschoolyards.org/livingschoolyardmonth/</p> <p>https://static1.squarespace.com/static/56f1b6cbe707ebc63b90b4ef/t/5902c6a4ff7c50908d2d8302/1493354196338/LSYMguide-USA_2017-427.pdf</p>	<p>Green Schoolyards America is a national organization that expands and strengthens the green schoolyard movement and empowers Americans to become stewards of their school and neighborhood environments. The free, downloadable Activity Guides compiled by Green Schoolyards America, includes 147 hands-on activities written by 123 organizations as a resource to teachers looking for ideas about how to bring students outside at school. They are intended for use with PreK - 12th grade students on their own school grounds. They include activities that are directly tied to age appropriate curricula, as well as ideas to enliven recess and increase community engagement.</p>
<p>Litzinger Road Ecology Center, MBG</p> <p>http://www.litzinger.org/</p>	<p>LREC offers Place-based Education partnerships for teachers, with an emphasis on incorporating schoolyard natural habitats into the curriculum.</p>
<p>Missouri Bluebird Society</p> <p>http://missouribluebird.wordpress.com</p>	<p>The society is to encourages the development, maintenance, and monitoring of bluebird trails in the state of Missouri.</p>
<p>Missouri Botanical Garden</p> <p>http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/learn-discover.aspx</p>	<p>All about environmental stewardship with links to teacher/classroom resources.</p>



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<p>Missouri Master Naturalists</p> <p>http://extension.missouri.edu/masternaturalist/home.aspx</p>	<p>A partnership of the Missouri Department of Conservation and the University of Missouri Extension. Chapters located throughout Missouri. Volunteer for community service projects that provide education and outreach programs in partnership with local organizations.</p>
<p>Missouri Prairie Foundation</p> <p>http://www.moprairie.org</p>	<p>Information on native plants, a landscaping guide, a buyers guide on where to buy native plants and seeds, and much more.</p>
<p>National Garden Clubs</p> <p>http://www.gardenclub.org</p>	<p>Promotes youth gardening and school garden projects. Searchable for clubs in your area.</p>
<p>The Nature Institute</p> <p>https://www.thenatureinstitute.org/</p>	<p>The Nature Institute (TNI) is a non-profit land conservation and environmental education organization based in Godfrey, IL. Since its founding in 1980, The Nature Institute's board and staff have worked to foster an awareness and appreciation of the natural world through preservation, restoration, and education.</p>
<p>North American Butterfly Association</p> <p>http://www.naba.org/pubs/bgh.html</p>	<p>Regional downloadable PDF files on butterflies, and butterfly gardens.</p>
<p>Science and Citizens Organized for Purpose and Exploration (SCOPE)</p> <p>http://www.scopenational.org</p>	<p>SCOPE will bring 3D glasses activity to connect art, creativity, and science. We will bring no cost resources regarding plant sciences.</p>
<p>The Hummingbird Society</p> <p>http://www.hummingbirdsociety.org</p>	<p>Resource materials for attracting hummingbirds and endangered species protection.</p>
<p>The Xerces Society</p> <p>http://www.xerces.org/pollinators-south-central-region/</p>	<p>The pollinator resources found on this page support habitat projects in Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, and southern Illinois.</p>
<p>WellNest Solutions</p>	<p>Contact: Margaret Grant Email: gramagrant14@gmail.com Service: Bring chefs and Master Gardeners to the classroom to support food and nutrition in the school. Classes can be aligned with Common Core Standards. We help maintain and plant gardens, and teach how to prepare the food from the garden.</p>



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Wild Ones St. Louis Chapter http://stlwildones.org	Encourages landscaping with native plants in residential, business and public landscapes. Provides assistance and volunteers for schools.
World Bird Sanctuary http://www.worldbirdsanctuary.org/education-programs/	Enviro-ed programs provide fun, entertaining, and sometimes hands-on education for your group. These educational programs cover a wide variety of wildlife and environmental topics

Resources for Health/Safety Projects

Action for Healthy Kids http://www.actionforhealthykids.org/	Action for Healthy Kids fights childhood obesity, undernourishment, and physical inactivity by helping schools become healthier places so kids can live healthier lives. Their website contains multiple tools for schools, including the Game On! program (a no-cost online guide) and School Health Index and offers school grants to increase physical activity, improve nutrition education and nutritious foods, and pilot or expand school breakfast programs. This program also provides School Grants for Healthy Kids
Council of Educational Facilities Planners http://a4le.org/websites/main/index.php?p=161	Future Design Competition for grades 5-8.
Danforth Plant Science Center https://www.danforthcenter.org/	Contact: Terry Woodford-Thomas Phone Number:314-587-1000 Service: We provide a broad range of educational opportunities for people of all ages to embrace science, advance their own knowledge and make personal connections to the Center. By “sharing our science”, we strive to inspire a scientifically informed citizenry and importantly, the next generation of plant scientists.
EarthDance Farms http://www.earthdancefarms.org/	EarthDance Farms operates an organic farm school providing hands-on educational experiences surrounding food, farming, and gardening.
Environmental Protection Agency http://www.epa.gov/iaq/schools/index.html	Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools Action Kit The Action Kit provides best practices, industry guidelines, sample policies and a sample IAQ management plan to improve school air at little or no cost.



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<p>EPA School Flag Program</p> <p>https://airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=flag_program_educational</p>	<p>The Flag Program uses colored flags based on U.S. EPA’s Air Quality Index (AQI) to notify teachers, coaches, students, and others about outdoor air quality conditions. Schools raise a colored flag each day that corresponds to their local air quality forecast.</p>
<p>Gateway Greening</p> <p>http://www.gatewaygreening.org/education/</p>	<p>Our Youth Programs engage youth in sustainable food production and garden-based education to meet the diverse needs of schools in partnership with neighboring communities.</p>
<p>Metro East Community Air Project (MECAP)</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/mec.airproject/</p>	<p>Metro East Community Air Project (MECAP) is part of Action Research ILLINOIS at the University of Illinois. MECAP is a community-based initiative to protect healthy living by drawing awareness to the health risks associated with air pollution, while providing community with the tools to address local air quality and public health concerns through education, outreach and air monitoring research. MECAP welcomes the opportunity to present to school, government and community groups</p>
<p>National Center for Safe Routes to School</p> <p>http://www.saferoutesinfo.org</p>	<p>Classroom resources and safety program information.</p>
<p>Ride Finders</p> <p>http://www.ridefinders.org</p>	<p>Finally, RideFinders offers a free SchoolPool program for K-12 schools that helps their parents form carpools to take students to and from school.</p>
<p>St. Louis Regional Clean Air Partnership (SLRCAP)</p> <p>http://www.cleanair-stlouis.com/</p>	<p>SLRCAP works to increase public awareness of air quality issues and health linkages. SLRCAP offers resources on ways individuals, schools, businesses, and government can work toward improving the air we breathe. They welcome the opportunity to present to school groups on this topic. The Partnership is best known for its daily summer-focused air quality forecasting, which is designed to engage the public in the regional clean air effort. Key initiatives include: encouraging citizens to choose alternatives to driving alone, such as carpooling and taking mass transit, plus idle reduction campaigns, since these options can drastically reduce emissions related to transportation and have many other benefits for participants, too.</p>
<p>Trailnet</p> <p>http://www.trailnet.org/</p>	<p>Trailnet is a local non-profit organization that helps municipalities as well as individuals understand the need for “active living.”</p>



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Resources for Waste Reduction / Recycling / Compost

<p>Charity Clothing Pickup</p> <p>http://www.clothingpickup.com</p>	<p>Charity Clothing Pickup offers used clothing bins to non-profits. This is a recycling and fundraising program.</p>
<p>City of St. Louis Refuse Division’s Recycling Program</p> <p>https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/street/refuse/recycle/</p>	<p>The City of St. Louis Refuse Division’s Recycling Program provides waste and recycling education in the form of presentations and activities for any K-12 school or youth group located in the City of St. Louis. This recycling program loans classroom recycling bins to schools with commercial recycling service (bins available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last).</p>
<p>EPA Further with Food – Center for Food Loss and Waste Solutions</p> <p>https://www.furtherwithfood.org</p>	<p>Further with Food helps you find and share information about proven solutions and innovative approaches to reducing food loss. Joining together and learning from one another, the EPA hopes this initiative will help reach their national goal of cutting food loss and waste in the United States in half by 2030.</p>
<p>Ithaca College</p> <p>http://www.ithaca.edu/rempr/reduce/reducewaste/</p>	<p>Resources and programs to reduce waste.</p>
<p>Missouri Recycling Association</p> <p>http://www.mora.org/k-12.html</p>	<p>Teacher and student lessons, activities, and competitions for schools by grade level.</p>
<p>Paper Recycles</p> <p>http://paperrecycles.org</p>	<p>Resources and materials for recycling paper.</p>
<p>Recycle Responsibly</p> <p>http://www.onestl.org/get-involved/regional-working-groups/materials-recycling/recycle-responsibly</p>	<p>The Recycle Responsibly public education campaign, which launched in November 2018, has been developed by the OneSTL Materials and Recycling Working Group to draw attention to and educate residents about the increasing problem of contamination in the recycling stream – and show residents, schools, and businesses how to improve recycling habits.</p>



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<p>Rock and Wrap It Up</p> <p>https://www.rockandwrapitup.org/sustainability-toolbox</p>	<p>School Programs to empower students to recover food and other assets from their schools. Snack Wrap! encourages elementary school students to donate their unopened sealed manufactured packaged snacks to children in after school programs, shelters and pantries. Middle and High School students are encouraged to participate in non-perishable drives and the recovery of perishable food from their school cafeterias that have been prepared and not sold or served.</p>
<p>St. Louis Composting, Inc.</p> <p>http://stlcompost.com/</p>	<p>St. Louis Composting, Inc. is the region's largest producer of STA-Certified Compost, Mulch Products, and Soil Blends. They accept yard waste and food waste.</p>
<p>Saint Louis County Department of Health Resourceful Schools Project (RSP)</p> <p>http://www.stlouisco.com/HealthandWellness/RecyclingandWasteManagement</p>	<p>Offers resources to St. Louis County residents, schools, and businesses on recycling, composting and organics, waste disposal, Their Resourceful Schools Project (RSP) is a resource for educators, recycling coordinators, parents and students that brings the 3R message into classrooms and helps school recycling programs succeed. They offer classroom presentations, a lending library, and loan kits. On the RSP website you will find feature articles, recycling activities, games, fun facts and much, much more! Waste reduction grants are available to help fund innovative and sustainable programs to improve waste diversion in St. Louis County.</p>
<p>St. Louis-Jefferson Solid Waste District Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant Program</p> <p>https://www.swmd.net/</p>	<p>Contact: Linda Adams or Kathy Schweitzer at 314-645-6753. Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant Program supports the District's objective to assist local governments, businesses, industries, private organizations, and citizens in implementing an integrated solid waste management system that minimizes the amount of solid waste being generated for disposal. The grant is open to any municipality, county, public institution, not-for-profit organization, private business or individual currently operating in St. Louis County, Jefferson County, St. Charles County or the City of St. Louis, or who will be operating in one or more these areas as a result of the project. In previous grant rounds, the average amount awarded has been approximately \$40,000, with a range of less than \$5,000 to more than \$100,000</p>



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<p>St. Louis Teachers' Recycle Center, Inc. http://sltrc.com/</p>	<p>Service: "Play is at the Heart of what we do." All children and adults will experience and develop respect for our planet and recognize that this begins with the respect of each individual to make a unique difference. Our mission is to awaken people to their creative potential through cooperative effort, while promoting an ethic of conservation and reuse of valuable industrial by-product and personal home reusable discards. Contact: Susan Blandford Email: sltrc@sbcglobal.net Phone Number: 636-227-7095</p>
<p>The Story of Stuff Project http://storyofstuff.org/resources/</p>	<p>Provides high quality educational resources and programs to everyone from teachers and people of faith to business and community leaders.</p>
<p>TerraCycle http://www.terracycle.com/en-US/</p>	<p>TerraCycle works with more than 100 major brands in the U.S. and 22 countries overseas to collect used packaging and products that would otherwise be destined for landfills. It repurposes that waste into new, innovative materials and products that are available online and through major retailers.</p>
<p>USAgain http://www.usagain.com/</p>	<p>USAgain (pronounced "use-again") collects clothes and shoes, diverting them from landfills, protecting the environment and helping communities go green. They provide locations across the US (and throughout St. Louis) where you can recycle textiles any time of the day, any day of the year. USAgain then resells the textiles in the U.S. and abroad. By putting them back in the use cycle, they conserve precious natural resources, prevent greenhouse gas emissions and save landfill space. What's more, the clothes are given a second life at affordable prices for people who can't afford brand new clothes. Contact them to learn more about getting a collection bin set up at your school! Contact: Jerry Bartley Email: j.bartley@usagain.com Phone Number: 314-504-5421</p>