

Maine Recycles Week 2008

Rules of School Participation

Any school, public or private, in the State of Maine may participate in Maine Recycles Week 2008. By participating in Maine Recycles Week, your school will be contributing to a statewide campaign to promote recycling and buying recycled. ("Buying recycled" is the purchase of products that contain recycled content.)

1. The Maine Recycles Week Steering Committee will judge each school according to their activities during MRW and the extent to which it raises the public awareness and supports recycling in both the school and local community. The Maine Recycles Week Steering Committee will recognize three schools for their efforts and each be awarded a \$500 cash prize. Additional schools will be drawn for their contributing a recognizable effort. Cash awards are to be used by schools for science, environmental, or recycling programs that will benefit the school.
2. This year we will have no pre-registration; however we will ask school to e-mail or fax the participation form by November 21, 2008, to the contact at the bottom of the School report form. This takes the place of submitting entire plans and reports to guarantee timely reports following the final day of Maine Recycles Week, November 15. Following Maine Recycles Week, teachers must report their effort or at least a form (indicating which activities were carried out during the week) no later 5:00 pm on **November 21, 2008**.
3. The following activities are considered "official participation" and will qualify you for the random prize drawing. The more of these activities that you incorporate into your MRW however, the better your chances of being chosen as one of the top three schools. "Official participation" includes: incorporation of waste management & recycling activities into your curriculum for the week of November 8th-15th; participation in the MRW 2008 Poster Contest; establishment of a new recycling program or rejuvenation of an existing program; holding a special recycling or buy recycled event; working with the local recycling program and/or media to promote recycling in the community; field trip(s) to a local recycling center, landfill, recycling business, etc. If you have any questions regarding whether your activities will be considered "official participation," please contact Bruce White at 1-800-662-4545, 287-8053 or bruce.white@maine.gov .
4. **Eligibility Criteria:**
 1. Incorporation of waste management activities into curriculum
 2. Establishment of new (or rejuvenation of existing) recycling program
 3. Participation in MRW 2008 Poster Contest
 4. Promote recycling in the community
 5. Overall creativity and effort

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School Participation Final Report Form

School Name: _____ Number of Students _____

Contact: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone #: _____ E-mail: _____

Principal's Signature: _____

1. Did you incorporate solid waste and recycling issues & activities into your curriculum for the week?

___ Yes ___ No

If yes, please provide a list of activities and/or issues that you covered:

2. How was your school recycling program affected? (New, rejuvenated, compost added, etc.)

3.a. Did your school participate in the MRW activities? ___ Yes ___ No

3.b. Did your school/class participate in the MRW poster contest? ___ Yes ___ No

4. Did you promote recycling and buying recycled within the community? ___ Yes ___ No How?

5. What did you do new this year? _____

Please list any other events or activities that were a highlight or unique in celebrating of Maine Recycles Week: _____

Please indicate how many students at each grade level participated in Maine Recycles Week activities:

New this year we ask the teachers to suggest what they would look for in a recycling education tool kit: favorite lessons, activities, and examples. If your school has a kit and recycling committee, please let us know.