

START

A COOL SCHOOL

WHY ACT?

Look at the new Earth-friendly lifestyle you now enjoy. You practice sustainable living for the Earth and for yourself at home, in restaurants, and in stores. There is one more important place in your life that should be considered: school! Most schools will not be as Earth-friendly as you are, so it may be hard for you to practice your actions there, unless . . . you help to make your school Earth-friendly! This Earth Action will help you set up a plan to make your school cool for the Earth.

EARTH ACTION

- Look back over the Earth-friendly actions you've taken in your home, and see which ones you'd like to also take at school so that you can live your Earth-friendly life there as well. Think about no-garbage lunches, paper recycling, composting, and so on.
- Choose one action that you'd like your school to do.
- Ask to meet with the principal to share your idea.
- Tell your principal that you've already taken this action in your own life, and explain why this action is important for the Earth. Let your principal know that you are willing to help to get it started but that his or her support will be needed as well. Remember also to be a good listener.

MATERIALS

- A clear idea of what you'd like to see happen, your book, and a positive principal.

TIME

- An hour or so to plan your meeting with the principal.



RESOURCE SAVINGS

Whatever your savings were for this action, picture hundreds of other kids having similar savings at school. Think how much CO₂ your school can prevent from causing global warming. That's powerful!

