

Recycling Education



Education helps today's students be tomorrow's recyclers!

How does Pinellas County Utilities support recycling education?

Pinellas County Utilities staff work hard to educate the community about conserving our precious natural resources. We offer [tours](#), [publications](#), [speakers](#), [videos](#), and [special events](#) to promote recycling and waste reduction.

Can I tour Solid Waste Operations?

Yes. Any citizen or group may request a [free tour](#). We are proud

of our award-winning [No Such Place As "Away" Tour Guide](#) and [video](#) that enhance the tour experience. For educators, we provide a Teacher Guide with answers, background information, and follow-up activities.



Our [Tour Guide](#) includes fun factoids, math problems, and a review quiz.

Is bus transportation provided for school groups?

Yes. We are pleased to offer **FREE bus transportation** to and from the school for [student tours](#) of Solid Waste Operations.



What is the Recycle Regatta?

One of our most popular events is the [Recycle Regatta](#). Children and teens build boats made of recycled materials to race against their peers. Sign up now for the regatta to be held Saturday, April 18, 2009.

Do you provide programs at Enterprise Village?

Yes. We provide two businesses (a recycling company and water department) at [Enterprise Village](#) which is **visited by over 17,000 students a year**. Fifth graders learn business concepts in a six- to eight-week course and then spend a day running their own business.

Are speakers available?

Yes. [Experienced speakers are available](#) to discuss recycling and integrated solid waste management (see contact info below).

What assistance is available to schools?

Our staff is eager to help schools reduce waste and educate students about conservation. It's important for students to learn the "whys" and "hows" of recycling early on! Also, schools generate significant quantities of waste, particularly paper. Some of the **FREE resources we provide** are:

- [Paper recycling bins](#) for public and private schools that arrange for recycling collection service
- Technical assistance and training
- [Activity books](#), [newsletters](#), and [worksheets](#)

Visit our [Just for Teachers site](#) (see below) to request free educational materials for your class.

Educational Web Sites

What resources are available to teachers?



Both teachers and parents appreciate our **Just for Teachers** Web site providing free resources to educate students about conservation: *"What a great way to teach recycling to our kids! Thanks for helping us meet the Sunshine State Science goals."* - L. Pohley, Largo Middle School

- VISIT **Just for Teachers** pinellascounty.org/utilities/teachers

Is there a fun way to teach children to recycle?



Yes. Try our **Just for Kids** Web site with entertaining and educational games, puzzles, coloring, music, contests, and more. Elementary-age children enjoy our word searches, mazes, coloring pages, sing-along songs, and more!

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