

LWPTSA Sustainability Committee

Water Conservation

Feb 3, 2025



Land Acknowledgement

- The board of directors of Lake Washington PTSA Council acknowledges that the school district in which our council and our member PTA and PTSA units operate is on the Indigenous Land of the Coast Salish Peoples, who have reserved treaty rights on this land, including the Duwamish (dx^wdəwʔabš) and the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe (sduk^walbix^w). We thank these caretakers of this land who have lived here since time immemorial. We continue to commit to providing the best possible support for all children of native descent who attend our schools—as part of our ongoing PTA mission to advocate for the health, well-being and education of every child.

Agenda

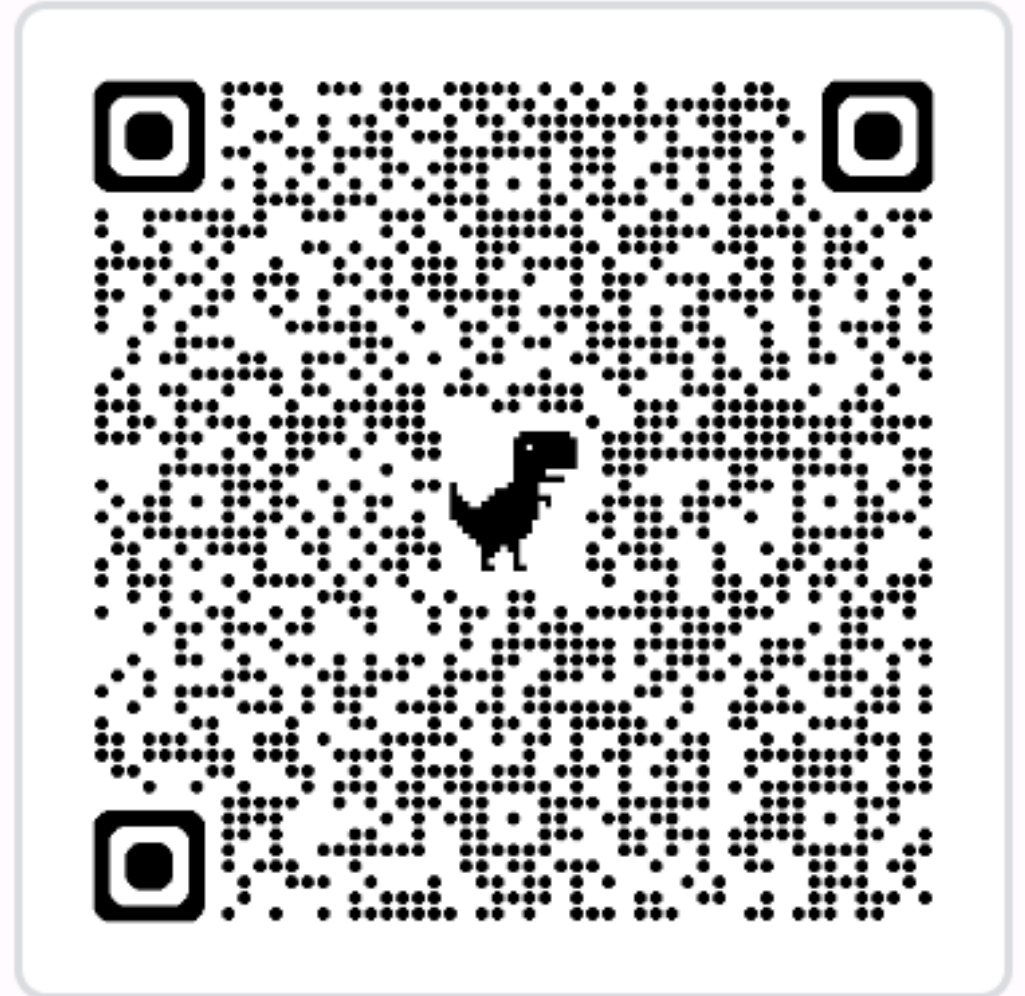
- Introductions
- Action Items
- Educator Resources
- Educational Tour
- Grant Opportunities
- Next Session



Introduction

- What kind of Earth Day activities feel realistic for your school this year?
- LWPTSA Green School Programs – Mid-Year Status Survey <https://forms.office.com/r/cB2EUA9bRi>

Scan QR Code



Eat Happy



A close-up photograph of a pair of hands gently cradling a small, colorful globe of the Earth. The globe is centered on the North Pole, showing the Arctic region in white and the surrounding continents in various colors. The hands are positioned around the globe, with fingers visible, suggesting a protective or caring gesture. The background is a soft, out-of-focus brown color. Overlaid on the center of the globe is the text "Earth Day / Week" in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

Earth Day / Week

BYOC Campaign

Avoid single-use items

Fewer single-use items means less of an opportunity for those items to become litter along our roadways and in our rivers and oceans.

Avoid microplastics

Protect your body from the microplastics that make their way from the cup into your drink. (Even hot coffee cups have a thin layer of plastic on the inside.) We don't yet fully understand their impacts on the body.

Save money

Enjoy discounts offered by your favorite coffee shops and cafes every time you bring your own cup.

Improve the environment

Prevent waste and the environmental impacts of creating and managing that waste.

Keep your drinks hotter (or colder)

Your coffee tumbler or thermos will almost certainly keep your drink better insulated compared to a single-use coffee cup.

BYOC Campaign

- Record a 30 sec video
- Email to Chayanika
- Social Media campaign
- SP > Resources & Initiatives > BYOC



Ongoing Project



Students at Honey Dew Elementary in Renton helped at cafeteria sorting station



Students at Olympic Middle in Auburn created 3-D signs and monitored cafeteria sorting station

Weekly-monthly projects



Pack a WASTE-FREE Lunch

Reduce:

- Avoid Excess Packaging
- Replace Disposable Items With Reusable Containers and Utensils

Reuse:

- Durable Forks, Spoons, and Knives
- Cloth Napkins
- Refillable Drink Containers
- Reusable Lunch Containers

Recycle:

- Bottles, Cans, Plastic
- Food Scraps
- Paper Bags

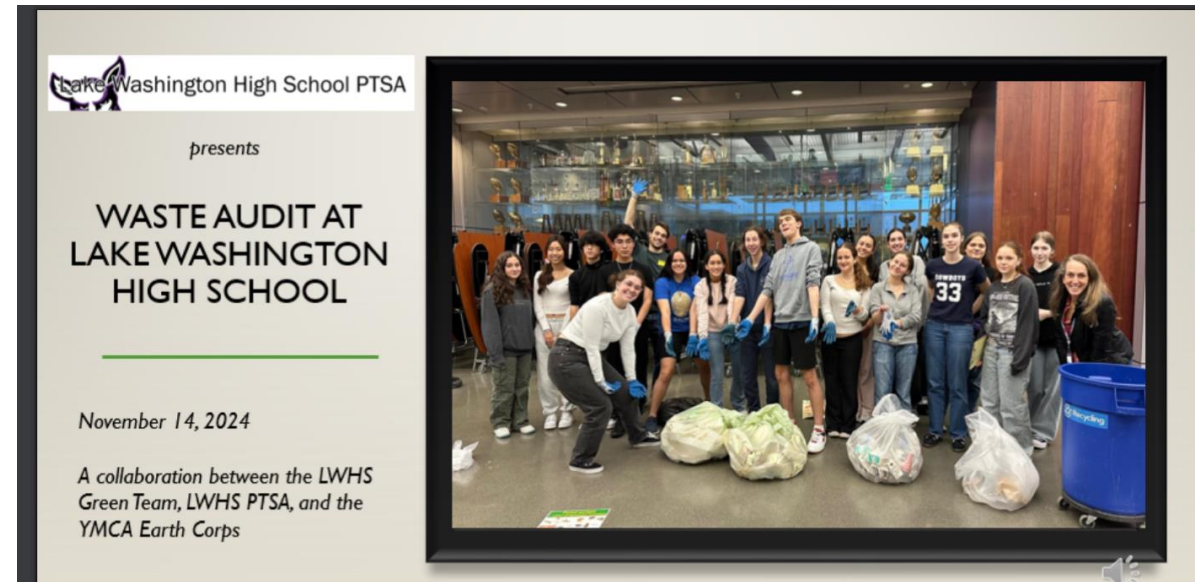
Strive To Be Waste Free

The infographic features a central illustration of a woman in a blue blazer holding a trash can with a red 'no' symbol over it. The text 'Strive To Be Waste Free' is written in a red, curved font around the trash can. To the left, under 'Reduce:', there are illustrations of a juice carton, a water bottle, disposable utensils, and a banana. To the right, under 'Reuse:', there are illustrations of a white paper bag and a green reusable lunch container. At the bottom, under 'Recycle:', there are illustrations of a boy and a girl putting items into blue recycling bins. The background has a sunburst pattern.

Semi-annual projects



Students at Tesla STEM High in Redmond researched and presented about climate change



Annual Projects

School Outreach

- Presentations
- Waste Audits
- Custom Signage
- Green Team Meetings
- Touch-A-Trucks
- Technical Assistance with Custodial and Staff
- Science Fair/STEM Night Tabling
- Laminated Sorting Posters
- Recycle, Compost and Trash stickers
- Crafts
- Storytime
- Waste Trivia and Jeopardy
- Waste Relay Races
- Lunch time monitoring

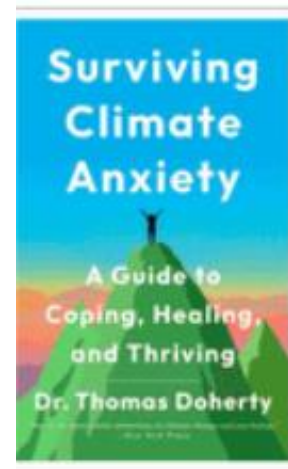
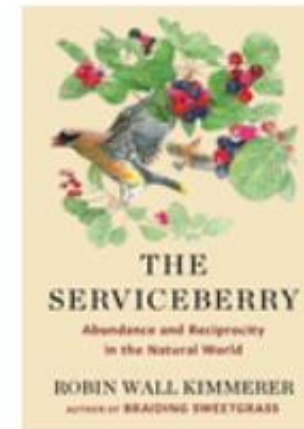


Resources for Green Team

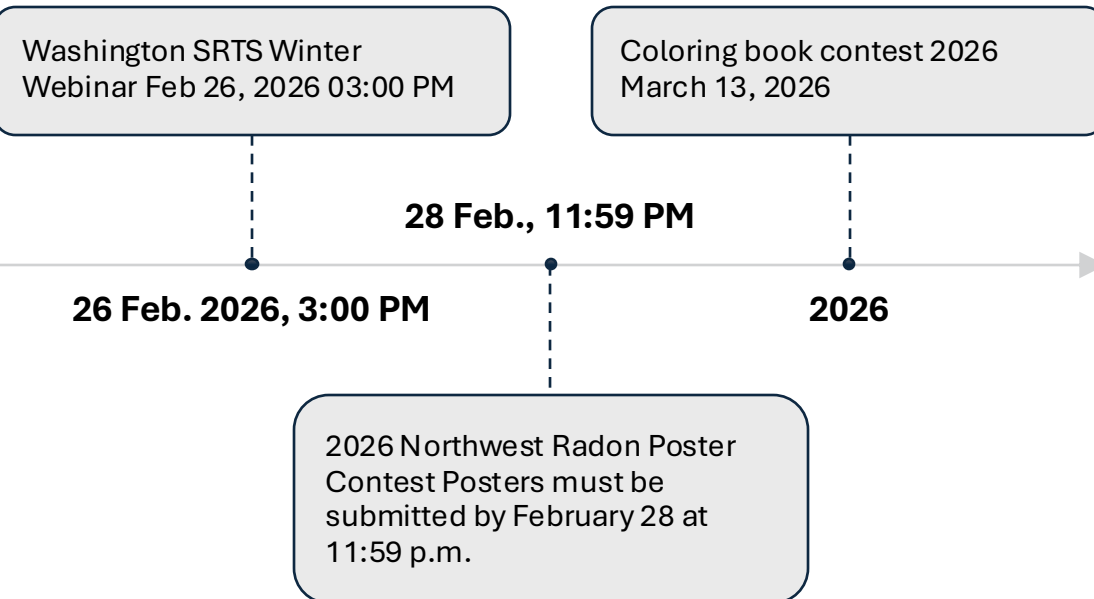


Community Booklist

- Redmond Climate Action Group



Upcoming Community Outreach



NORTHWEST RADON POSTER CONTEST

Annual contest aims to raise awareness about radon and how to protect your household.

WHAT IS RADON?
Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that can build up in our homes. Both old and new housing can have radon problems. Testing is the only way to know if your home has radon because it is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. Long-term radon exposure is the number one cause of lung cancer in nonsmokers and the second-leading cause of lung cancer in smokers.

HOW TO ENTER
Find contest submission forms, lesson plans, and rules here.

First, second, and third place winners will be selected from each state (Idaho, Oregon, and Washington). A regional grand prize will be selected from the winning submissions.

The first-place posters from each state will be submitted to the next National Radon Poster Contest. All participating students will learn about radon and how to reduce their risk of exposure.

Scan the QR code or click [here](#) for more information and how to enter.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE
Prior to March 1st

PRIZES
1st Place \$100
2nd Place \$75
3rd Place \$50
Regional Grand Prize \$300

ELIGIBLE STUDENTS
9 - 14 years of age living in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington

WINNING POSTERS WILL BE FEATURED ON WEBSITES, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND BILLBOARDS!

CONTEST DATES
January - February

SPONSORED BY
Coastal Alliance, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Hood River Tribe, Oregon Health Authority, Spokane Tribe of Indians, Washington State Department of Health, in collaboration with the Northwest Radon Coalition & U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10.

Logos for: HEALTH, REGIONAL HEALTH, HEALTH & WELFARE, DEPA, and others.



Upcoming dates



World Water Day - March
22



Earth Hour – March 28



Earth Day – April 22

Success Story



Share your stories

Help the District know about
the work you are doing



Provide feedback!

The District will soon be
sharing a draft version of our
Plan and Roadmap. Your
feedback will be crucial



Reach out

I am always excited to connect,
hear your ideas, and provide
resources

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Next Session

- Zoom
- March 3rd (7 pm- 8:30)
- Agenda: Garden & Share Table
- Whatsapp Group
- Social
- Instagram  [lwptsacouncil.sustainability](https://www.instagram.com/lwptsacouncil.sustainability)

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