

Dear School Principal or Teacher:

Earth Day is right around the corner.

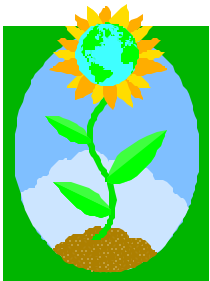
The month of April is a traditional time to discuss environmental concerns, although environmental education can fit in year round. The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department can help you with your curriculum needs.



Our department is pleased to once again sponsor Stan Slaughter, the Eco-Troubador, to elementary schools in April and May. Stan is an award-winning educator and has sung and played his guitar for thousands of children and adults at schools and festivals throughout the Midwest. He sings a repertoire of original earth songs focusing on recycling, composting, and household hazardous waste. We have a performance scheduled at (school) on (performance date & time). Please confirm this time by returning the enclosed postcard to us ASAP. If this time does not work for your school, please call us right away so we can try to reschedule the performance(s).

As a special promotion for Earth Day, we are pleased to donate a book to your school. I think you will find this book to be a nice addition to your library. Please check the book of your choice on the enclosed list, and mail or FAX the form to us. (FAX 732-3709)

I'd like to encourage your school to plan and conduct activities with your students about the 3 R's: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. The items in the enclosed packet may be ordered at no cost to help you accomplish this. Please see the enclosed sheet "Earth Day Order Blank for Environmental Education Curriculum Helpers." These items are available in limited quantities. Please circulate the packet along with the order sheet to your interested teachers. You can mail the order to our office (envelope enclosed), fax it to us at 815-732-3709, or order via email to jyoung@oglecounty.org. We plan to deliver the order to your school in early April. Other information is also available on our web site at www.oglecounty.org.



Each of us can make a difference. What we buy, use and throw away impacts our environment. Please join us in celebrating Earth Day this April and every month of the year.

Sincerely,
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Specialist
Environmental Engineer