

SPOKANE REGIONAL SOLID WASTE SYSTEM

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Going Green

Teaching Kids to Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle.



Garbage-eating goat at Riverfront Park.

THE SPOKANE REGIONAL Solid Waste System offers a variety of free informational and educational programs for residents, students, and teachers throughout Spokane County.

Classroom Presentations

- Waste Reduction and Packaging
- Recycling—The How's and Why's
- General Solid Waste Overview
- Deciphering the Plastic Code
- Composting
- Special Activity—Paper-making, recycle your classroom waste paper into a new product; an art project

with an environmental twist.

- Teacher in-service workshops are also available.

Experts from the SRSWS are available to meet with teachers and students to share curriculum and show how to set up school recycling programs.

Waste to Energy Facility Tours

The tour includes a video presentation and then a walking tour of the facility. Participants need to dress for the weather and wear closed-toed shoes.

Free public tours are given every Wednesday and Thursday at 10 am and 1 pm. The Waste to Energy Facility is located at South 2900 Geiger Blvd.

Community Education:

Speakers from the Spokane Regional Solid Waste System can be scheduled to visit classrooms, businesses, service clubs, or community groups.

Spokane Youth Environmental Conference (SYEC)

The annual Spokane Youth Environmental Conference (SYEC) is a one-day, high-energy event for students in grades 7-12, to showcase their environmental science projects.

The Conference is designed to:

- Encourage students to do real scientific investigations.
- Provide students a forum to share their projects with their peers.

Through oral presentations and visual poster exhibits, students learn from each other about environmental issues and about concrete actions each individual can take to help address these issues.



- Enable students, through their active participation, to demonstrate their mastery of the Science and Language EALRs.
- Work toward meeting the Grade Level Expectations for math, reading and science.

EnviroKids' Club

The Solid Waste System has joined with several other agencies to create the EnviroKids' Club – a way for kids in grades K-6 to team up with other kids in Spokane County to help protect the Earth. Quarterly activity sheets allow kids to explore all aspects of the environment: air, water, weather, garbage & recycling, plants & animals, and you & your environment. EnviroKids' Club is an expansion of SCAPCA's former Clean Air Kids' Club.

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