

Point 8: Develop a Wildlife Habitat Project

The Dahlem Conservancy
www.dahlemcenter.org
Email: gsiegrist@dahlemcenter.org

The National Wildlife Federation
www.nwf.org

E Nature: America's Wildlife Resource
www.enature.com

Point 9: Develop a Native Plant Garden

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Michigan Native Plant Producers Assoc.
www.mnppa.org

The National Wildlife Federation
www.nwf.org

Point 10: Conduct a Solar Power Project

Michigan Solar Solutions
www.michigansolarsolutions.com

U.S. Department of Energy
www.energy.gov

Solar Energy International
www.solarenergy.org

Point 11: Conduct Classroom Energy Audit

Consumers Energy
education@consumersenergy.com

Earth Day Network
www.earthday.net/greenyourschool

U.S. Department of Energy
www.energy.gov

Point 12: Recycle Ink & Toner Cartridges

Rapid Refill
www.rapidrefill.com

Empties 4 Cash
www.empties4cash.com

Free Recycling
www.freerecycling.com



Point 13: Recycle Batteries

Recycling Jackson
www.recyclingjacksonmi.org

Call 2 Recycle
www.call2recycle.org

Battery Solutions
www.batteryrecycling.com

Point 14: Fundraise by Recycling Cell Phones

Wireless Fundraiser
www.wirelessfundraiser.com

Point 15: Observe Earth Day

The Dahlem Conservancy
www.dahlemcenter.org

Point 16: Earth Day Poster Contest

DNRE Earth Day Poster Contest
www.mi.gov/deq

Point 17: Conduct At-Home Energy Audit

Consumers Energy
education@consumersenergy.com

Point 18: Establish an Environmental Club

Earth Team Environmental Network
www.earthteam.net

Point 19: Fundraise Through Internet Searches

Support The Dahlem Conservancy and Michigan Nature Association by using GoodSearch
www.goodsearch.com

Point 20: Reduce Energy Use by 5%

Consumers Energy
education@consumersenergy.com

Thank you to the following for supporting Recycling Jackson and The Dahlem Conservancy in our Michigan Green Schools Facilitation Program:

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**Jackson County
Resource Guide
2009-2010**

**An Introduction to the
Michigan Green Schools
Program in Our County's
Public & Private Schools**

Join the Greening of Jackson County Schools!

Michigan Green Schools is a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting all Michigan schools, public and private, achieve targeted environmental goals, protect Michigan's natural resources, and promote stewardship opportunities for all K-12 students. Participating schools receive recognition for their success by engaging in suggested energy and environment saving activities, each worth one point.

10 points = Green School
15 points = Emerald School
20 points = Evergreen School

Since Jennifer Granholm approved the state initiative on May 21, 2006, more than 500 schools have successfully achieved Official Green School Status. Twenty of those schools are our neighbors in Jackson County.

Qualifying schools received official documents signed by the governor for the school year, an official flag, and participation in a county-wide awards ceremony. Last year's participating schools are encouraged to strive for higher status and be recognized for their continuing success.

For more information please visit:

www.michiangreenschools.org

Our County's Green School Coordinator is:
Megan Schrauben
Director of JC Mathematics and Science Center
Jackson County Intermediate School District
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For the 2009-2010 application, instructions, educational and funding resources please visit:

www.jcisd.org

Click on "Educational Services", then "Mathematics & Science Center", then "Michigan Green School Act"

Recycling Jackson and the Environmental Education services of **The Dahlem Conservancy** are available to support our local communities and schools in achieving a greener tomorrow. This brochure serves as your starting point to the Michigan Green Schools. Please contact our Green Schools Facilitator for assistance in achieving your school's points towards this year's success!

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Recycling Jackson
www.recyclingjacksonmi.org

The Green Schools application deadline is **March 1, 2010**, however your school may already have completed many of the suggested **20 Points** described on the Michigan Green Schools website or other equivalent activities. Also, your stated commitment to complete the points before the end of the school year may also qualify.

There is a wealth of resource information online. To assist you, **Recycling Jackson** and **The Dahlem Conservancy** have selected resources for each of the **20 Points** to include in this brochure.

Recycling Jackson and **The Dahlem Conservancy** are also proud to offer recycling and environmentally focused programs targeted to your needs. Please contact our Green School Facilitator, Jill Butterfield at jbutterfield@dahlemcenter.org for additional information.

Selected Educational Resources

Please see either the Michigan Green Schools or JC ISD website for a listing of the 20 Point activities.

Point 1: Recycle Paper

Emmons Service Inc.
www.emmons-service.com

Northwest Refuse of Jackson County Inc.
www.northwestrefuse.com

Earth 911 Recycling Information
www.earth911.com

Point 2: Reuse Magazines and Newspaper

Many ideas can be searched online: donate to others, use in craft or cleaning projects.

All Crafts
www.allcrafts.net

Kaboose
www.crafts.kaboose.com

Point 3: Adopt an Endangered Animal

World Wildlife Fund
www.worldwildlife.org

National Wildlife Federation
www.nwf.org

Howell Nature Center
www.howellnaturecenter.org

Point 4: Update School Ecological Media

Children's Book Council Inc.
www.cbcbooks.org

Point 5: Institute an Energy Saving Program

Consumers Energy
education@consumersenergy.com

Point 6: Students Engage in Energy Saving

Consumers Energy
education@consumersenergy.com

Point 7: School Hosts a Spokesperson

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