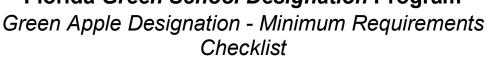


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Certain green practices will be required of all schools seeking Green Apple designation. These core activities have been selected to provide some continuity between all designated members of the Florida *Green School Designation* Program.

The core activities represent a minimum set of Best Management Practices (BMPs) in the following areas, that all designated members are required to implement:

- 1. Communication and Education
- 2. Waste Reduction, Reuse and Recycling
- 3. Water Conservation
- 4. Energy Efficiency
- 5. Air Quality

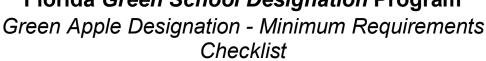
All requirements must be met, and environmental practices implemented prior to submitting the Green Apple application.

<u>COMMUNICATION AND EDUCATION</u>: At a minimum, at least three (3) of the following communication efforts must be implemented. Check <u>ONLY</u> if the practice is implemented in at least 50 percent of the school, or at least 50 percent of the time.

1.	Make available your school's <i>Environmental Self-Assessment and Planning Checklist</i> to the public upon request.	YES	NO 🗌
2.	Communicate your school's environmental initiatives to students, parents and staff.	YES	NO 🗌
	• Submit samples of communication. Submissions can be pictures or digital files.		
3.	Establish an environmental task force or "Green Team" and meet quarterly, at a minimum, to evaluate and improve environmental initiatives.	YES	NO 🗌
4.	Discuss green practices and policies at student, parent and staff meetings.	YES	NO 🗌
	Submit meeting dates, number of attendees and green topics for meetings.		
5.	Provide a survey, suggestion box or online evaluation for students and teachers to allow feedback on your school's environmental practices.	YES	NO 🗌
	• Submit a survey example, picture of suggestion box or link to online evaluation.		
	• Link:		



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WASTE REDUCTION, REUSE AND RECYCLING: At a minimum, at least three (3) of the following waste efforts must be implemented. Check **ONLY** if the practice is implemented in at least 50 percent of the school, or at least 50 percent of the time.

1.	Track waste usage.	YES	NO 🗌	
2.	Provide an opportunity to recycle the following materials, if generated and if service is available in your area. Indicate materials your school currently recycles:  Plastic Bottles Aluminum Cans Steel Cans Glass Office Paper Carboard Newspapers Magazines Batteries Ink Cartridges Fluorescent Bulbs Electronics	YES 🗌	NO 🗌	
	Location of recycle receptacles:		•	
3.	School or School District has a policy about purchasing materials with recycled content and/or a waste reduction plan.	YES	NO 🗌	
4.	Provide compost bins for organic/native gardens.	YES	NO 🗌	
<b>WATER CONSERVATION</b> : At a minimum, at least three (3) of the following communication efforts must be implemented. Check <b>ONLY</b> if the practice is implemented in at least 50 percent of the school, or at least 50 percent of the time.				
1.	Track water and wastewater usage.	YES	NO 🗌	
2.	Use a preventative maintenance schedule to find and repair leaky faucets, toilets and pipes.	YES 🗌	NO _	
	Submit current schedule.			
3.	Use low-flow faucets, 1.5 gallons or less per minute, in restrooms.	YES	NO 🗌	
	Manufacturer:			
4.	Use low-flow toilet, 1.6 gallons or less per flush, in restrooms.	YES	NO 🗌	
	Manufacturer:			
5.	Use low-flow showerheads, 2.0 gallons or less per minute, in locker rooms.	YES	NO 🗌	
	Manufacturer:			
6.	Use automatic faucets and toilets in restrooms.	YES	NO 🗌	
7.	Have a water assessment conducted by a local utility company, local water management district or other appropriate organization.	YES	NO 🗌	
	Assessment Date:			
	Conducted By:			



4.

5.

6.

Properly label and store all chemicals.

No visible mold or mildew is present.

School building and grounds are 100 percent smoke-free.

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YES

YES

YES

NO

NO

NO

**ENERGY EFFICIENCY**: At a minimum, at least three (3) of the following communication efforts must be implemented. Check **ONLY** if the practice is implemented in at least 50 percent of the school, or at least 50 percent of the time.

1.	Track energy usage.	YES	NO 🗌	
2.	Use a preventative maintenance schedule to maximize efficiency in appliances.	YES	NO 🗌	
	Submit current schedule.			
3.	Use energy efficient lighting (compact fluorescent bulbs, LEDs, and/or T-8 fluorescent tubes).	YES 🗌	NO 🗌	
4.	Use ENERGY STAR® rated equipment other than lighting.	YES	NO 🗌	
5.	Use programmable thermostats.	YES	NO 🗌	
6.	Use timer or sensor lighting indoor/outdoor.	YES	NO 🗌	
7.	Use a computerized Energy Management System.	YES	NO 🗌	
8.	Support green power. Use on-site renewable energy power source (solar panels, solar hot water heater, other).	YES	NO 🗌	
	• Type Used:			
AIR QUALITY and TRANSPORATION: At a minimum, at least three (3) of the following air efforts must be implemented. Check ONLY if the practice is implemented in at least 50 percent of the school, or at least 50 percent of the time. Documentation will be required to verify practices noted in <i>italics</i> .				
1.	Use at least two environmentally preferable cleaners that are biodegradable <b>and</b> do not contain NTA (nitrilotriacetic acid), chlorine bleach or phosphate <b>or</b> two cleaners that have a third-party green cleaning certification.	YES	NO 🗌	
	Enter Products and Brands:		-	
2.	Use high efficiency air filters with a Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV) 8 or higher.	YES	NO 🗌	
3.	Clean air handler units and coils at least annually. Keep and follow a preventative maintenance schedule and record of activities.	YES	NO 🗌	



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#### **TRANSPORTATION**

At a minimum, at least two (2) of the following air efforts must be implemented. Check **ONLY** if the practice is implemented in at least 50 percent of the school, or at least 50 percent of the time. Documentation will be required to verify practices noted in *italics*.

7.	Promote walking or biking to school for students living in the area.	YES 🗌	NO 🗌
8.	School buses follow a 'No Idling' Policy in the morning and afternoon.	YES	NO 🗌
9.	Cars waiting for students follow a 'No Idling' Policy in the morning and afternoon.	YES	NO 🗌
10.	School vehicles are 100 percent smoke-free.	YES	NO _