

**Nashua School District
SAU # 42**

Environmentally Friendly Initiatives

The Nashua School District promotes programs and initiatives that protect both the indoor and outdoor environment. There is strong support for these initiatives from the Administration, and by “Living Green” in our schools, we will hopefully entrust this legacy to future generations.

Current Programs

- Paper and Cardboard Recycling began District Wide in 1998. We currently have recycling programs in 18 buildings.
- All computers and monitors that are no longer useful to the District are collected and disposed of through a recycling facility.
- Fluorescent bulbs and ballasts are disposed of as regulated waste.
- Ink cartridges and toner cartridges are recycled as fund raising activities.
- Some schools recycle aluminum cans as fundraising activity.
- Plant Operations will be evaluating all cleaning products purchased according the US EPA (Environmentally Preferred Purchasing) chart to determine if a product is environmentally friendly.
- Chemicals purchased for classroom activity in science, art, tech ed, and Plant Operations are catalogued into the UNH CEM’s program. The program is designed to track chemicals for EPCRA reporting purposes, and to provide “Right to Know” information to all concerned. It also allows District employees to see inventories before purchasing new chemicals, and to “borrow” or “adopt” chemicals that are already in the system. This helps to reduce our inventory, and to better manage our waste stream. (High Schools did not purchase chemicals for this school year due to this inventory tracking system)