

Monday, 11.21.11

**Dear School District & Community--**

Please find our green **Tip of the Week**, and **PFEWG™ News/Resources** below. PFEWG™ is a model for sustainability that we use to implement the Cambridge Green Schools Initiative. It covers the categories of Products, Food, Energy, Waste, and Greenspace. Click here to read more about it on our district website: [http://www3.cpsd.us/sustainability/pfewg\\_model](http://www3.cpsd.us/sustainability/pfewg_model)

Meeting Notice: **\*\***There will be a meeting of the Cambridge City Council Environment Committee, chaired by Henrietta Davis, tomorrow: Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 5:30 PM in the Sullivan Chamber at City Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss goal setting for the Cambridge environment for the coming year, and the School Department will present on the Cambridge Green Schools Initiative and specific projects underway.

Tip of the Week: *When going out to eat, bring your own container for leftovers. **Why?** Because this action is an alternative to paper/plastic/styrofoam throw-away products.*

- Products: **"ExCL Recycles Non-Profit."** A clearinghouse in Lynn, MA that offer no-cost/low-cost materials for arts & education: <http://www.exclrecycles.org/about.html>
- Food: **"Learn How to Compost Workshop--Tonight!"** Monday 11/21, 6:30pm, Cambridge DPW, 147 Hampshire Street.  
<http://www.cambridgema.gov/citycalendar/view.aspx?guid=%7B261C5BDD-FFD2-4992-8A0E-A8A64E7D2FB5%7D&start=20110314T180000&end=20110314T191500>
- Energy: **"District-wide DDC Integration Project."** We are currently working on a school-wide engineering project that integrates our DDC systems, which helps to reduce energy through efficient controls programming.
- Waste: **"Single-Stream Recycling"** The public schools have all been single-stream recycling for some time now. For a refresher on what items you can put in the blue bins, click here:  
<http://www.cambridgema.gov/theworks/ourservices/recyclingandtrash/aboutrecycling/singlestreamrecycling.aspx>
- Greenspace: **"CitySprouts Update."** CitySprouts gardens are "officially" closing Nov 30th but teachers and staff should feel free to keep using the gardens -- there is still a lot to see out in the gardens -- winter rye & garlic are planted -- and kids are encouraged to come out!  
<http://www.citysprouts.org/>

**Have a great week. Happy Thanksgiving -Kristen**

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