

Monday, 1.30.12

Dear School District & Community--

Hello, please find our Cambridge Green Schools Initiative (CGSI) weekly update below. As always, please visit our District website to learn more about current sustainability operations in our schools: <http://www3.cpsd.us/sustainability/Sustainability>. Thanks for reading. **-Kristen**

Tip of the Week: For small-scale composting, freeze food waste items before disposal. **Why?** ...It's a simple way to store food waste until you're ready to compost it.

Products: "Need FREE 3-Ring Binders?"

1. Contact John Pelletier at jpelletier@cambridgema.gov, from CDD. He has 50 3-ring binders of varying colors (mostly white) and a couple boxes of gently used manila file folders (non hanging).
2. Contact Cambridge Recycling at recycle@cambridgemam.gov. The Recycling Center often has binders and recycling staff will try to set some aside, so let them know how many you would like. Also, stop by the Center at 147 Hampshire St, open Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4pm-7:30pm and Saturdays 9am-4pm and ask the DPW staff person what is available.

Food: "Winter Farmer's Markets." Eat locally grown, fresh food in Cambridge, even in the cold of winter! <http://cambridgewinterfarmersmarket.weebly.com/>.

Energy: "Join the GreenTeam to Reduce Energy." Check out the GreenTeam, a great way to engage classes in classroom eco-learning and energy savings techniques: www.thegreenteam.org. Registration is free and easy.

Waste: "Schools' Recycling Stats." Please click the link below to read our schools' recycling statistics. Total Schools Recycling: **82.8 tons/165,648 pounds**. Great job!!!
<http://www.cambridgema.gov/theworks/ourservices/recyclingandtrash/aboutrecycling/Schools/recyclinginschools/recyclingreports.aspx>

And...Cambridgeport is another school that is now composting! Way to go, Cambridgeport! And a big thank you to Department of Public Works.

Greenspace: "Kroka Expeditions." Do you want to live in the forest, learn outdoors skills, and work on a farm? If so, then Kroka's summer camps in New Hampshire and Vermont, and semester programs are for you. Check out Kroka's summer and year-round programs online: <http://www.kroka.org/>.

Have a great week.

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