



Tree Campus



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A BETTER FUTURE FOR THE NEXT GENERATION STARTS BY PLANTING WITH THEM

We believe the future today's students will inherit is made better with trees. Tree Campus K-12 exists to empower students to explore and understand the beauty and benefits of trees through learning experiences in and out of the classroom. When you meet the four Tree Campus goals and become recognized as a Tree Campus, you'll establish your school as an environmental steward, helping students and the larger community grow an even brighter future.



Why become a Tree Campus

SAPLINGS NEED NURTURE, COMMUNITY, AND GUIDANCE TO GROW

Incorporating trees into your school provides students with a wide range of benefits that help them thrive. Trees not only create healthier learning environments, but they also open doors to future careers in forestry, environmental science, and sustainability. Through tree-focused projects, students connect with community members, rooting them to the places they call home.

Get Recognized

Earn physical and digital recognition materials for your school, including a plaque and the Tree Campus Flag!

Get Connected

Join a network of colleges and universities committed to a healthier future.

Stay informed

Access new tools, project ideas, and stories from other recognized campuses across the country.



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Education is about more than ABCs – it's also about giving students a community to care for and connect with. Tree Campus builds that connection and shows students how to make real impact.

How it works

THE TREE CAMPUS JOURNEY

To become a Tree Campus, you'll need to meet the four program goals during the school year, submit your application in the spring, and celebrate recognition as you return to school in the fall.

Achieving Recognition

BECOME A TREE CAMPUS

- **Prepare, Assemble, and Plan:** Take our online readiness quiz and assemble your dream team of students, staff, and community members. Then, create your account and start an application so you can document your progress as you go!
- **Meet the Goals:** As the school year gets going, make a plan to meet the four Tree Campus Goals. Engage students by organizing hands-on, tree-centered activities for students like planting and caring for trees, research projects, field trips, and more. Be sure to take photos as you go!
- **Submit:** Tree Campus applications close at the end of the school year, but you can upload documentation of activities and events throughout the year.

Tree Campus K-12 Goals

1. TREE CAMPUS TEAM

Build a team of students, staff, and community members to lead your school's Tree Campus K-12 efforts.

2. EDUCATION PLAN

Develop a plan to document and incorporate tree-focused education into your school.

3. HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

Provide students with a hands-on experience that connects them with trees and their community.

4. ARBOR DAY OBSERVANCE

Celebrate Arbor Day with your school to highlight the importance of trees. unique way.



BE THE SPARK FOR A GREENER TOMORROW

You can be a driving force in connecting your students to nature through trees. Visit our website for more information and to take our Readiness Quiz to find out how close your school is to becoming a Tree Campus.

For more information and to take our short readiness quiz, visit arborday.org/our-work/tree-campus-k-12.