



SCHOOL GROUND GREENING

Are you interested in greening your school grounds
and enhancing your EcoSchools application?



What is School Ground Greening?

School Ground Greening actively engages students and staff in the care of the natural environment, encourages teaching and learning in the outdoors, and increases biodiversity on the school grounds, through plantings and creating more natural spaces.

(sections from Ontario EcoSchools, Certification Guide, School Ground Greening, pg 13).

How to get Green!

Upper Thames River Conservation Authority staff have the knowledge and resources to help your school apply for funding, complete a site assessment and create an overall planting plan for your space.

We source all plant material (trees, wildflowers, mulch), provide all equipment (shovels, buckets) and are on-site the day of the planting.

Why Green your Grounds?

- Provide shade for play spaces
- Increase energy efficiency through shade and/or windbreaks
- Create diversified play space
- Foster school ownership, pride for property and sense of community
- Increase outdoor teaching space
- Strengthen environmental awareness
- Develop habitat for wildlife, improve air quality, and
- Enhance your Ontario EcoSchools application for certification!



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