



10 Environmentally Conscious Schools Each Win \$25,000 Worth of Technology from Staples Canada

Superpower Your School Contest winners announced

TORONTO, April 22, 2015 – Staples Canada today announced the winners of the 2015 Staples Canada Superpower Your School Contest. The contest, held in collaboration with Earth Day Canada, was open to publicly-funded elementary and secondary schools across Canada and ran from January 5, 2015 to January 31, 2015. Close to 600 schools submitted entries detailing their environmental initiatives. Ten schools, two from each region, have been selected to receive \$25,000 each towards the purchase of new technology from Staples Canada.

Ontario

- Elementary: St. Agatha Catholic School, Scarborough, ON
- Secondary : Saunders Secondary School, London, ON

Western Region

- Elementary: Beaverlodge School, Winnipeg, MB
- Secondary: Argyle Alternative High School, Winnipeg, MB

British Columbia

- Elementary: Kinnaird Elementary School, Castlegar, BC
- Secondary : Smithers Secondary School, Smithers, BC

Quebec

- Elementary: École Notre-Dame-des-Rapides, Lasalle, QC
- Secondary: École Arthur Pigeon, Huntingdon, QC

Atlantic Region

- Elementary: Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Corner Brook, NL
- Secondary : Sussex Regional High School, Sussex NB

Each school was told they won during surprise assemblies held in March and early April.

“The ten winning schools are as passionate about innovating to make a difference as we are,” said Steve Matyas, president of Staples Canada. “By giving them the power to learn using the latest technology, the schools now have the ability to make an even greater impact.”

“We congratulate these outstanding winners for their commitment to making Earth Day Every Day in their schools and local communities,” said Deborah Doncaster, president of Earth Day Canada. “We were particularly inspired by their highly innovative initiatives, which have had positive environmental impacts far beyond the individual school grounds. We are excited to learn about how the schools will use the new technology to further their environmental efforts.”

Staples Canada and Bullfrog Power will also bullfrogpower® the new technology at each school with 100% clean, pollution-free energy for one year.

The contest, previously known as the Staples Canada Recycle for Education Computer Lab Contest, is now in its fifth year and has previously awarded 40 environmentally conscious schools the latest technology to empower students to learn and nurture their passion for the environment.

For more information, including the winning schools’ entry summaries, visit staples.ca/powereco.

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About Earth Day Canada

Earth Day Canada's mission is to foster and celebrate environmental respect, action and behaviour change that lessens our impact on the earth. The national environmental charity does this through year-round campaigns that culminate in an international day of environmental action - April 22nd - that touches the lives of millions of Canadians, including virtually every school-aged child. April 22nd, 2015 marks the launch of 'Earth Day Every Day', a national framework helping Canadians reduce their carbon footprint 20% by 2020 via an online, mobile friendly platform. Commit to green acts, share your profile and achievements, and be recognized for making good green choices! www.earthday2015.ca

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