

National High School Climate Forum Sustainability Items Checklist

Please look through the list of sustainability goals/initiatives below. Our goal is for each of our member schools to complete as many of these objectives as possible. As such, we will be hosting a yearlong competition to see which schools can earn the most points! Each of the tasks below are assigned a point total, and we will check on your progress with a form every so often. At the end of the year, we will ask you to print, scan, and send us this document with your faculty advisor's signature on it (and initials next to each specific goal), after which we will name the winning school! If you have ideas for additional goals that should be worth points or any questions regarding the objectives, please email them to

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School Name	•		
School Locat	ion:		
NHSCF Deleg	ates Names:		
Delegate #1:		 	
Delegate #2:		 	
Delegate #3:			
Delegate #4:			

Sustainability Goal Description and Important Information	Point Totals for Category	Total Points Earned	Faculty Advisor Initials/Date
Wherever there is a trash can, there should be a recycling can! *You don't need to count the number of trash vs. recycling cans - just take a walk around your school and try to maximize the number of recycling cans. When you feel that, in general, each building has a sufficient number of recycling cans, approach your advisor for approval.	20		
Organize a school-wide blackout day! Turn off all of the lights at your school for one full day (this doesn't have to include computers, technology, etc.). ****You may use this 2 times!	30		
Organize school Meatless Mondays! 10 points for organizing one meatless Monday, 30 points for organizing five, and 50 points for organizing more than five.	See description for point totals		
Bring in one sustainability-related speaker for the year from an organization outside of your school community (Add 10 points to the original 20 points if more than 25 students attend the event). This event may be virtual or in-person. ****You may use this up to 3 times! *NHSCF Events don't count - there is a separate goal for our events!	20		
Make an announcement related to sustainability on Earth Day to your school. Be sure to include information about your club and initiatives on your school campus. **This should be a live announcement!	10		

Construct a community garden for your school. Ensure that the plants in the garden are properly taken care of and that the garden is spreading environmental awareness or education somehow amongst your fellow students.	50	
Promote the use of eco-friendly utensils at your school. This may mean recyclable, biodegradable, or simply reusable utensils. In order to earn the points in question, your school must transition to these types of utensils as completely as possible. **Sustainable "To-Go" Containers also count!	30	
Advertise your club to your whole school; set a goal for the number of members you want to have and reach it! 10 points for 10 members, 20 points for 20 members, 30 points for 30+members.	See description for point totals	
Advertise and facilitate a certain number of students from your school attending a National High School Climate Forum event. 10 points for 5 students, 10 points for 10 students, 20 points for 20 students, and 50 points for more than 30 students. ****You may use this as many times as you would like! :)	See description for point totals	N/A - we will count this for you!
Organize your club's participation in one service event/project related to the environment. This should be something active (i.e. a conservation project, etc.), and should constitute a couple of hours of work. ****You may use this up to 3 times!	15	
Create a sustainability newsletter! This newsletter may discuss whatever you would like that is related to sustainability but should reach a broad audience in your school community and provide valuable information. 30 points for a weekly newsletter, 20 points for monthly, and 10 points for less than monthly.	See description for point totals	

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Have all of your club members sign a pledge to be environmentally conscious and aware in their activities. The pledge doesn't have to fit any specific criteria, other than being related to the environment. **Feel free to use our NHSCF Pledge	10	
As a club, recommend a book related to sustainability in your communications to your school and your club members. The recommendation alone is 5 points. 20 points if 3 individuals (other than leaders) actually read it!	See description for point totals	
On any social media platform, follow at least ten environmental organizations or accounts that spread awareness on issues related to sustainability or climate change.	10	
Facilitate the creation of an environment related section/column in your school newspaper (20 points). Interview at least 3 faculty members/students about their environmental impact (15 additional points).	See description for point totals	
Facilitate at least 10 individuals bringing reusable water bottles to school rather than using disposable cups for one week. These individuals may be members of your club but should not be used to bringing reusable bottles already. **Add another ten points if 20+ people are involved	20	
Organize a school-wide trash clean up! Involve your entire school community in a campus-wide clean-up effort for one day (50 points)! **Only 20 points if the trash clean-up is limited to your club	See description for point totals	
Organize a movie screening for your club or school community of any environmentally related movie. Please include movie title here:	20	

Send out sustainability tips to your club and school community on a regular basis. These tips should be helpful to individuals trying to live more sustainably and eco-friendly. 30 points for weekly tips, 20 points for monthly tips, 5 points for less often.	See description for point totals	
Create a fundraiser for an environmental organization (e.g. GreenPeace, Oceana, World Wildlife Fund, etc) with any method you choose! Total \$ Raised: Organization Name:	Points will be awarded according to details on the left	
Create and send out a vegan/vegetarian recipe to your school. This can be included as part of a newsletter or any other communication. 20 points for weekly recipes or more, 5 points for advertising one recipe.	See description for point totals	
Promote the use of reusable markers and facilitate the use of these markers in your school's classrooms. 5 points for 3 classrooms using the markers, 10 points for 5+, and 30 points for the whole school.	See description for point totals	
Organize tree-plantings on your school's campus! Monitor and protect the tree's to facilitate their survival. 10 points for 3 trees, 15 points for 10+ trees, 30 points for 25+ trees.	See description for point totals	

Calculated Overall Point Total:
Proof of Accuracy/Completion:
Faculty Advisor Name:
Faculty Advisor Position:
Faculty Advisor Signature:
Date:
Additional Faculty Advisor Comments: