

SHAWNEE MISSION SCHOOL DISTRICT

# EARTH WEEK

Monday, April 20	Tuesday, April 21	Wednesday, April 22	Thursday, April 23	Friday, April 24
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<b>Watershed Day</b>	<b>Consumption + Waste Day</b>	<b>Earth Day</b>	<b>Energy Day</b>	<b>Great Outdoors Day</b>
What is a <u>watershed</u> ? Where is YOUR <u>watershed</u> ? What is the <u>condition</u> of your watershed? Learn more about clean water.	We recycle at school. You can recycle at home, too. Think before items are tossed in the trash. What can be recycled?	Today is the 50 <sup>th</sup> Earth Day!! Make a poster to celebrate and display it in your window. Google Earth Day 2020 for ideas.	Conduct a <u>home energy audit</u> and share the results with your family. What can you change? Go Green to Save Green!	Take a walk or hike with your family. Find a <u>trail or park</u> in your neighborhood.
Calculate your individual and household <u>Water Footprint</u> . How does it compare to the US average?	We compost food in the school cafeteria. Did you ever wonder what happens to it when it leaves school?	Use sidewalk chalk and share Happy Earth 50 <sup>th</sup> Day messages and art around your home.	The sun gives us natural light. Go outside with a book or journal and read, write or draw in the sunlight.	Go outside and find a quiet spot. Listen. What do you hear? Breathe. What do you smell? Look up. What do you see?
Find a storm drain in your neighborhood that is stenciled or has a mural painted on it. How can you help keep the water in your watershed clean?	You can compost at home, too. Learn how to <u>compost food and yard waste</u> in your backyard.	List your suggestions for improving our environment and share them. Hear what students said to local leaders at ClimateActionKC.	Take the <u>Earth Day Clean Energy Quiz</u> . What was your score?	Today is Arbor Day. Watch this video to learn about the history of Arbor Day.
How healthy is your watershed? Your river or stream can tell you. Go to <u>Stormwatch.com</u> to learn about the stream in your neighborhood.	Take a walk around your neighborhood. Bring a <b>reusable water bottle</b> to stay hydrated during your adventure.	Monarch butterflies are moving into our region. <u>Track their migration</u> . Note when you see the first monarch in your neighborhood.	Make energy saving reminders (turn off lights, turn down heat, unplug) and post them around your home.	Do you have a favorite tree in your neighborhood? Calculate its ecological benefits. (Provide your zipcode only as the location.)
Explore your yard or neighborhood. Draw a map of the area you explore. Include important landmarks like trees. Where does the water go when it rains?	What are other ways you can reduce single use items (plastic bags, cups, wrap, silverware, paper towels)? Make a list and share your ideas with your family.	Take paper and crayons or markers and step outside. Listen. What do you hear? How do you feel? Draw yourself with the wildlife you hear in your backyard.	Turn off all electronics and go outside and play.	Support pollinators and reduce flooding with native plants. Learn about their benefits at DeepRootsKC.