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GREEN STAR SCHOOLS NEWS

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Green Star 5-Year Celebration

Congratulations to Bear Creek Elementary, Creekside Elementary, Mesa Elementary and Foothill Elementary for celebrating their 5th year in the program! The celebrations included award assemblies, napkin-making at recess, classroom presentations and a visit from the Green Star at lunchtime.

Green Star Schools Grant Winners

Congratulations to the four schools that won our Green Star Schools grant this past spring: Douglass Elementary, Eisenhower Elementary, Ryan Elementary and Summit Middle School. We had 12 applicants last year. We encourage all Green Star Schools to apply this spring!

Winners were chosen for their involvement in educating their communities on environmental issues (see Summit Middle School below), for finding creative ways to work toward zero waste in their buildings and for working with us to make all school-wide events zero waste.

Green Globe Award

At Red Hawk Elementary, the Green Globe Award is given to the class who has earned the most Green Dollars. Students earn Green Dollars by "going green"- i.e. composting properly, picking up trash, using reusable water bottles, packing a zero waste snack or lunch, etc.

Get to School Green Day

For several years, Summit Middle School has participated in "Get to School Green Day," organized by its NetZero club. Students are encouraged to get to school by carpooling, biking, walking or taking the bus. Depending on the year, students who participate are rewarded with a raffle ticket, a popsicle or a baked good.

Recycling & Composting Tips of the Season!

- Empty your compost buckets daily and leave the lids on to keep pests from dining on your leftovers.
- Print and use both sides of your office paper.

Submit information for next semester's newsletter to:

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You or a friend can help support the Green Star Schools program by booking an eco-inspired birthday party with Eco-Cycle! These parties combine fun activities with green values and are suitable for ages 4 through 12. A portion of the cost is tax-deductible. For more information, visit www.ecocycle.org/kids/parties or call (303) 444-6634 x 103.

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- © **JUNGLE JAM:** music, games & face painting
- © **PAPERMAKING WITH PIZZAZZ**
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