



EcoMentors Checklist

Use this checklist to keep you on-track through the process of becoming a certified EcoMentor. No matter where you are in the process, this list will help record all the cool things you've done and show you what's next.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Register Let us know who you are and why you want to become an EcoMentor. Sign-up at www.ecomentors.ca 'click' sign up.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get Trained Attend an EcoMentors training session. The training will take about 4 hours and prepare you to be a dynamo of environmental education! For upcoming training opportunities contact us at ecomentors@earthday.ca
<input type="checkbox"/>	Connect with a Partner & Host Group <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ EcoMentoring can be done solo or with a friend. Feel free to do your workshop with one or two other trained EcoMentors.○ There are a few ways to find a class or community group to EcoMentor with:<ul style="list-style-type: none">☑ Contact a class or group that you're already involved with or have been in the past.☑ Ask a teacher, community leader, or parent if they have a contact who'd be interested in an EcoMentor Workshop.☑ Visit a local elementary school or community centre and introduce yourself and what EcoMentors is all about (the EcoMentors Introduction Letter will help you out).☑ Find a local EcoKids School. EcoKids is EcoMentors little sister! Ask EcoMentors Program staff to recommend you to a local EcoKids school.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plan & Prepare Preparation and planning will ensure a successful and enjoyable EcoMentoring experience. <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Meet with your host teacher/group leader to discuss:<ul style="list-style-type: none">☑ The topic of your workshop;☑ What you need to know about the class;☑ The day and time that you'll visit;☑ Any materials the host can provide (scissors, paper etc).○ Download and print the lesson that the host teacher decided on from the EcoMentors website or create your own using the guide found in the Handbook.○ Read through lesson plan and prepare materials that you'll need.



<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Action! Take a breath and think positively. They're gonna' love you! Facilitating is the best part of being an EcoMentor. On your first visit with a group do a fun icebreaker to get to know the group. Take it slow... have fun!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Conduct your workshop.○ Reflect on what worked well and what didn't work.○ Direct your host teacher to fill out a Workshop Tracking Form.○ Ensure that you fill out a Workshop Tracking Form.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Cool off and Celebrate!!! Organizing your host classroom and hosting your very first workshop is one heck of a task. Take a few moments to revel in your success.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Ready for Round 2, 3, & 4? If you plan to visit the same host site for a second, third and fourth time then repeat steps 4-6. If you'd like to try the same lesson with another group then start back at step 3.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Remember your paperwork In order to become a certified EcoMentor we'll need to collect the following completed paperwork:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Teacher's Workshop Tracking Form○ EcoMentor Workshop Tracking Form○ EcoMentor Self Evaluation Form○ EcoMentor Program Evaluation Form <p>Make this a quick and easy process by mailing all your forms together to: EcoMentors c/o Earth Day Canada 111 Peter Street, Suite 503 Toronto, ON, M5V 2H1</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Celebrate (again) & Enjoy the Rewards You can never have too many celebrations. Becoming a certified EcoMentor takes a lot of work. Why not hold a celebration of this accomplishment with other certified EcoMentors from your school?</p> <p>When formal celebrations are complete, take advantage of your EcoMentors Green Goodies. You'll be fully prepared for a hike in the woods and no fear of getting off track with your new MEC backpack, Earth Day Canada stainless steel water bottle and compass. Enjoy!</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>What's Next? If you'd like to continue your EcoMentors experience, why not consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Hosting more EcoMentors classroom visits○ Setting up an EcoMentors club at your school○ Developing a lesson/activity for other EcoMentors to use○ Train other high school students as EcoMentors○ Spread the word – tell others about your experience and how to get involved.