



Sustainability @ Bellevue College

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Captains of Sustainability Spread the Joy of Composting!



Composting materials: Credit Eileen Cho

Six Captains of Sustainability have spread the composting cheer to their co-workers by participating in the latest composting pilot project. Each participant was given a laminated poster, composting bags, and a compost bin. The pilot is limited at this time, but check back for updates in 2012!

SSA is Recruiting Student Leaders



The Science and Sustainability Association (SSA) is currently on a search for three

new officer positions: President, Vice President, and Secretary. The applications will be available officially in January. If you know any potential

Try “Sustainable Student Guidelines” in your

Syllabi by *Environmental Advisory Committee*. EAC co-chairs are Marika Reinke and Robert Viens.

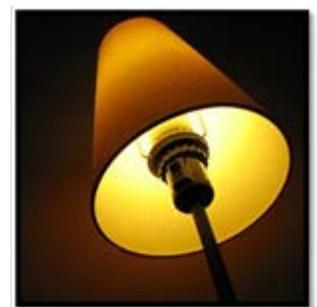
As the Environmental Advisory Committee prepares for another Great BC Paper Chase this winter, we invite you to include the Student Sustainability Guidelines statement in your course syllabi. Please adapt the following guidelines as you choose. Email sustainability@bellevuecollege.edu to let us know so we can keep count and acknowledge you!

Student Sustainability Guidelines: Students are expected to make decisions that have the smallest environmental impact while maximizing student learning. This includes:

- **Think before printing** documents for this class, print double sided, adjust the printable margins and reuse any paper as scratch paper.
- **Turn in papers electronically** or when necessary turn in printed assignments double sided, single spaced and using small margins of at least .75 inches.
- **Turn off the lights** in empty classrooms and do not study alone in classrooms or without permission.
- **Recycle** all paper, bottles and cans and **compost** food and materials from the cafeteria.
- **Adjust the power settings on your personal computer** so the monitor and CPU will sleep after 20 minutes of inactivity and unplug personal all electronic devices when not in use.

Bellevue College Light Check!

by *Deric Gruen, Sustainability and Resource Conservation Manager*



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We are excited for our program to grow in 2012!

Main Campus Energy Bill for October:

Electricity:

2011 - \$91,854, 1,011,297 KWh;
2010 - \$97,056, 1,045,714 KWh

Natural Gas:

2011 - \$21,023, 19,469 Therms;
2010 - \$22,109, 20,471 Therms

Interesting Fact:

If every home in the U.S. replaced just one light bulb with a more efficient bulb, we'd save enough energy to light 3 million homes for an entire year.

bulbs from Puget Sound Energy for task and floor lamps in Bellevue College offices. Student Sustainability team members will be making the rounds to all offices on campus this week to identify the task and floor lamps for our request to PSE.

Each lamp on campus will be tallied and then replaced with a more efficient model at no cost. Please help welcome the students or let us know directly if we miss you and you still have an incandescent lamp in your office; email: sustainability@bellevuecollege.edu

Goodbye Fall and Welcome
to Winter from the
Sustainability @ BC
Team!



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