

Contact us

Contact Mary Byrd at byrdm@sbcapcd.org or 805-961-8833 for additional information on teacher programs, or to schedule a presentation or invite us to a science night or other school event.

Find out more

For more information, see the “Students and Teachers” link in the left column on our website at www.OurAir.org. You’ll see more information on our programs, plus links to other resources, including the Safe Routes to School program, special events, and more.



www.OurAir.org



Educational Programs on **Our Atmosphere** **Air Pollution** *and* **Global Climate Change**

*Classroom presentations, grants for teachers,
participation in school events, and more — from the
Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District*

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Classroom Presentations



We offer classroom presentations for K-12th on atmosphere, air pollution, global climate change, and what we can

do to make a difference. We tailor each presentation to the class, and sometimes close by playing a game using the **Wheel of Change** (above).

Grants for Teachers



Schools Save Energy, Cut Traffic

We invite 4th-12th grade teachers to apply for “Care for our Earth” grants to do environmental service projects with students in two areas: reducing energy use at the school; or encouraging students and parents to walk, bike, take to the bus, or carpool with other families to school. Grants are available through the Santa Barbara County Education Office. See this page: www.sbcapcd.org/teachers.htm for all the info and contact Mary Byrd at 805-961-8833 or byrdm@sbcapcd.org with any questions.

Science Nights and School Events

We also participate in school events such as science nights or Earth Day celebrations, with hands-on demonstrations and activities.

Robot Resource for Pollution Prevention (R2P2)

R2P2 is made of recycled equipment that can cause air pollution.

Choices from his touch screen face include: information & video on effects of air pollution on our hearts and lungs; a game to figure out how to save a fictional planet from the effects of air pollution; and other features that illustrate where air pollution comes from, and what we can do to help keep our air clean.



Visit R2P2, our touch screen kiosk at the Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum.

Safe Routes and Walk & Roll



Safe Routes to School and Walk and Roll are initiatives to help students carpool, walk, bike, and bus to school. See our website for more info and links.

Cutting Pollution from School Buses

This toolkit is designed to help school communities, environmental officials, and others make informed decisions about ways to reduce harmful diesel emissions from school buses. Check out this online resource at this page (direct link) on our website: www.OurAir.org/bustoolkit.htm.