

Three Things You Can Do to Get Started

PARENTS:

- Ask your school facility director or head of maintenance if s/he is now doing green cleaning
 - Ask to see one product label and its Safety Data Sheet (SDS)
 - Talk to other parents and see if they want to learn more and help you
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CLASSROOM STAFF:

- Keep your classroom and hallways easy to clean
 - Do not bring cleaning products from home, and do not use room deodorizers
 - Ask your school to supply diluted 'green-rated' cleaners for quick spill clean ups
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CUSTODIAL STAFF:

- Identify the worst products you are required to use
 - Read the SDS (Safety Data Sheet) for that product
 - Ask your supervisor for safer substitutes and training on using green cleaning materials
 - Ask your union representative to promote green cleaning in schools
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FACILITY DIRECTOR, PRINCIPAL, OTHER OFFICIALS:

- Evaluate your highest volume/most toxic general cleaning products
- Ask your preferred vendor to demonstrate green-rated substitutes
- Schedule custodial staff training
- Pilot in one or more schools and track success
- If the first choice does not perform well, pilot another green-rated product