



NEWS RELEASE

O'Gorman High School Unveil Latest Green Initiative to Help the Planet

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The results from the solar photovoltaic system (solar panels) installed in December show O'Gorman High School is leading the way in all things GREEN. This Friday, March 25, 2011 at 10:30 am, the school is unveiling the next phase in this green project, the unveiling of a Student Interactive Kiosk, where students can access the Enphase System real time to see how much their conservation efforts are paying off. Students will also be able to access the local and regional weather and they will be able to see how turning off classroom lights, or reducing the heat by a degree affects energy consumption taking place at school.

To date OHS Achievements: (Enphase System)



Energy Produced: 1.8 MWh

You could power the following for 1 day:

-  **5,455** light bulbs
-  **1,800** computers

Carbon Offset: 3,086.4816 lbs

You have offset the equivalent of:

-  **36** trees planted
-  **159** gallons of gas

O'Gorman High School now produces energy that it sells back to the Ontario Power Authority. Other ways OHS is going green include: utilizing energy efficient motors, the lighting system has been retrofitted to conserve energy, and a full recycling program for all materials is in place. OHS is proud to be a green school that ensures all cleaning materials are green, all paper products are from 100% recycled paper, garbage bags are oxo-degradable made from 100% recycled plastic and all cleaning chemicals are

green products as well, safe for the environment. Even the mops are made from recycled plastics.

As Saturday, March 26th is Earth hour, beginning at 8:30 pm when everyone is asked to turn off lights and conserve energy, the OHS family is leading the way and is truly a GREEN school.

Why go green?

- ✓ Better for Building occupants
- ✓ Better for the environment
- ✓ Better for school environment
- ✓ Healthier

Please join OHS during Earth Hour to conserve energy and help save our planet. Visit www.earthhour.org for other great ideas to conserve energy.

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