



TCDSB EARTH HOUR CHALLENGE AND PARTICIPATION MARCH 26 & 27, 2008

Earth Hour began in Sydney in 2007, when 2.2 million homes and businesses switched off their lights for one hour. In March 2009, hundreds of millions of people took part in the third Earth Hour. Over 4000 cities in 88 countries officially switched off to pledge their support for the planet, making Earth Hour 2009 the world's largest global climate change initiative.

Friday, March 26th, Blessed Sacrament will participate in the TCDSB Earth Hour challenge. Our Green Team will take the lead in promoting these activities with morning announcements to inform our students. Blessed Sacrament has registered online to participate in the hour long event and we encourage our families to register online as well for the "Lights out Toronto" event on Saturday, March 27th from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Please let us know using the form below if you will be participating and we will measure our community's response and what we are doing to help our planet.

On Friday:

- our external lights will be turned off
- hallway lights will be reduced to a minimum lighting to ensure student and staff safety
- classroom lights will be turned off as long as it will not adversely disrupt normal classroom teaching
- staff areas will eliminate all non-essential lights including the staff room/office

If you can participate with your family on Saturday please register online:

<http://www.earthhour.org/SupportersMap.aspx>

Thanks for your support—The *Green Team*

Family Name: _____ Number of Members: _____

We will be participating in the Earth Hour challenge ____ Yes ____ No

We will help out by: _____