

# THIS GUIDE CONTAINS...

## 1. Green Flag Basics: Program Overview

From earning your Green Flag to passing safer and healthier policies in the four issue areas, this section lays out the requirements of the Green Flag Program from start to finish.

## 2. Before the First Green Flag Team Meeting...

This section is intended to get you thinking about what being in a Green Flag Team is all about. What does it mean to be part of a team? Also included in this section are some tips on how to spread the word about your first team meeting.

## 3. Creating a Strong Green Flag Team...

This next section offers pointers on what to do at your first team meeting, as well as some helpful hints on how to keep your team running smoothly by creating group solidarity. It includes fun activities that will get your team started on working together.

## 4. Communicating with Administrative and Facilities Departments...

Administrators and facility department workers listen to motivated, organized, and determined students. Good communication with the school community is key to advancing change. This section outlines ways to communicate with others about your ideas.

## 5. Generating Media Attention...

Positive press will get your school and community behind your team and give your team well-deserved credit for your work. This section explains how to work with the media to gain community support and highlight your team's hard work.

## 6. Leadership Activities...

Included in this section are some activities for your experienced team. Use your team's new skills to organize and achieve beyond the classroom.

### ALSO INCLUDED...

- **The School Environment Survey**
  - ✦ Submit as part of the Level 1 requirements
- **Fact Sheets** offering background information on the four issue areas and why they are important. ✦ Fact Sheets include activities your team can complete towards credit for Levels 2 and 3.