



NOAA
**OCEAN
GUARDIAN**
School



**Protecting the Ocean
One School at a Time**

Program Reach • 2010 – 2025



132,495
students

256
schools



55% are Title 1 schools*

"The NOAA Ocean Guardian School project at our school wasn't just about planting, it was about the students' purpose and taking pride in improving their school and local environment."

5,879 teachers / staff



18 States ★

**3 U.S.
Territories**



1,465
Community partners

\$2,103,351
invested

External Partners:



Total Impact • 2010 – 2025



210,274
kilograms of
trash collected



63,107
reusable bags &
bottles distributed



3,558
recycle & compost
bins installed



2,424,261
single-use plastic
bottles not used



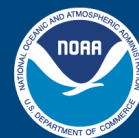
89,221
square meters of
native plants planted



86,229
square meters of non-
native plants removed

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*Title 1 School: Title I, Part A (Title I) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESEA) provides financial assistance to local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards. For an entire school to qualify for Title 1 funds, at least 40% of students must enroll in the free and reduced lunch program.



NOAA Ocean Guardian School Parents

View Changes in Their Child's Behavior

66%

of students are now
talking to others about
the environment,
including...



Family



Friends



Community

See Benefits to Their Child



Commitment to the Environment



Increased Sense of Community



Volunteering



Experience Working with a Team

Think Programs are Worth*



\$59 Habitat Creation**



\$48 Watershed Restoration**



\$34 Energy Saving**



\$25 Marine Debris Reduction**



\$21 Recycling**

This infographic was based on data collected from a first of its kind formal education study of an ocean conservation program.

* Dollar values are per student annually. ** These represent the five Ocean Guardian School pathways.