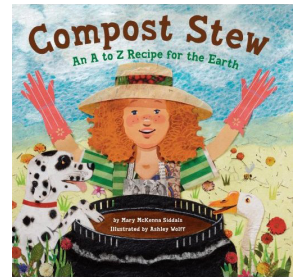
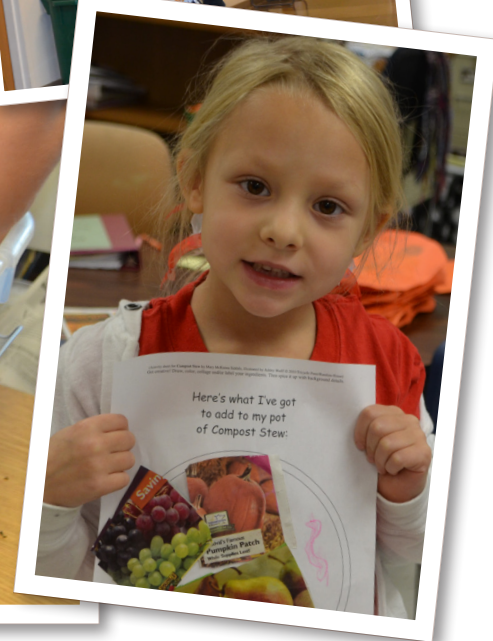


Compost to Comprehension



What do reading and composting have in common? In 2013, Target and MN Green Schools Coalition teamed up for a very literate Green Apple Day of Service!



Compost to Comprehension is a fun composting project that helps students with reading and comprehension. The project kicked-off the week of Green Apple Day of Service, in September 2013.

Students read *Compost Stew*, by Mary McKenna Siddals and participated in an easy and fun classroom activity. To further understand the positive effects of composting, schools either hosted a composting lunch for students or students had the opportunity to do a hands-on vermiculture lesson.

Thanks to Target's founding sponsorship, schools that participated in the project as part of our 2013 Green Apple Day of Service celebration received a \$500 library grant toward boosting the environmental reading collection.

Did you hear composting questions have been added to standardized tests for Minnesota students? We've made replication easy. Contact MN Green Schools Coalition at info@mngreenschools.org or visit mngreenschools.org for tips on getting started and to download materials.

Outreach results:

- » 5 new project partners
- » 8 schools
- » 26 teachers
- » 30+ volunteers
- » 1800+ students directly impacted
- » 3500+ students impacted by library grant
- » \$4000 in library grants



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