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Did you know that the Vancouver School Board uses almost 80 million sheets of paper each year? Sadly, most of these 80 million sheets are virgin paper with no recycled content.

The Vancouver School Board is now required to pay Carbon Tax on the amount of paper used in schools. You can help to limit the number of trees used by schools in Vancouver.

- ❖ Reduce your use of paper as much as possible. Can you teach the lesson a different way?
- ❖ Use newsprint in a Riso machine rather than bond paper in a photocopier.
- ❖ Save one-sided copies to reuse. Set up a basket near your photocopier. Have student-helpers organize this.
- ❖ Consider sending one-sided paper to the VSB to be cut, bound, and padded.
- ❖ Think before you copy. Make one successful original before copying large numbers.
- ❖ Try not to have a conversation while photocopying to help reduce mistakes.
- ❖ Encourage your students to use each piece of paper effectively and to use both sides.
- ❖ Request that your school purchase paper and notebooks with recycled content.
- ❖ Teach your students to print documents only when the page is edited and complete.
- ❖ Show your students how to alter margins and font size to fit their work onto fewer pages.
- ❖ Design art projects that make use of previously used paper.

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**Please post by your photocopier.**