

# SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION SHOWCASE

## APRIL 10, 2018

### ***RECYCLED MASCOT CHALLENGE***

The challenge is to create your school's mascot out of recycled products. The product must be made of significant amounts of recyclable materials.

#### **NEW IMPROVED AND EASIER REQUIREMENTS TO ENTER:**

- 1. Fun--this is meant to be a fun way to teach your school about what is recyclable!**
2. Use recycled material – at least 7 different types of materials.
3. If you do purchase anything to add to your structure, spend less than \$30.
4. **REGISTER your participation [here](#) by March 23, 2018 or check [www.novaoutside.org](http://www.novaoutside.org)**
5. **Bring to George Mason on April 10, 2018:**
  - a) A typed, written description of your mascot, no longer than 1-2 paragraphs:
    - i) a list and description of materials used (including any costs);
    - ii) a description of who was on your team and your team's process in creating your mascot.
  - b) Your mascot. Keep in mind that the figure must be able to be transported to George Mason University, Fairfax to be judged so please build it in segments that are easily movable and can be put back together.

#### **The Challenge:**

**Who:** High school, Middle school, and, Elementary schools are welcome and will be judged separately. There will be small, fun prizes.

**What:** The Recycled Mascot Challenge

**When:** The contest will be held on April 10, 2018.

**Where:** The judging will take place at the NOVA Outside/ George Mason University (GMU), Fairfax Center for the Performing Arts as part of the School Environmental Action Showcase.

**You do not need to be present to win,** however arrangements need to be made to drop off your Mascot by 9 am at the GMU Center for the Arts and pick it up by 4 pm. We encourage your team to participate in the full Showcase--there will be over 50 schools there to network with and 50 environmental partners running hands on activities for students. There will be a special high school track. See the Caring for Our Watershed contest in action.

**Why:** The reason for this competition is to spread awareness about recycling to students, teach them what can be recycled and to show that all people can make an impact and help the world.

**We hope you can participate! Questions?? Email [showcase@novaoutside.org](mailto:showcase@novaoutside.org)!!**

**Use recycled or salvaged materials whenever possible. If new materials are needed, then please spend no more than \$30. Try to get other organizations/ clubs/ the community involved as much as possible to spread awareness of recycling!**

*All works submitted to the 2018 Recycled Mascot Challenge must be original creations. Pieces submitted to past Mascot Challenge events will not be eligible for awards.*

### Rubric for Judging the Mascot Challenge

CATEGORY	1 – Below Standards	2 – Barely Meets Standards	3 – Meets Standards	4 – Exceeds Standards
OBJECT				
Number of recyclable/reusable items.	2 or fewer different products used.	3 or 4 different products used.	5 or 6 different products used.	7 or more different products used.
Design of object.	Poor design.	Okay design.	Good design.	Excellent design.
Execution of design; craftsmanship (weighted 2 times).	Design is executed poorly. Craftsmanship is lacking.	Design execution and craftsmanship is okay.	Design is executed well. Craftsmanship is good, but could better.	Design is superbly executed and crafted.
Creativity/Originality (Use your imagination!)	No creative aspects.	Little to no creativity.	Design is somewhat creative.	Creativity and originality is excellent.
RECYCLABLE USE				
Percent recyclable.	20-39% of sculpture is recyclable.	40-59% of sculpture is recyclable.	60-79% of sculpture is recyclable.	80-100% of sculpture is recyclable.