How to Write a Great Success Story

As the end of the school year nears and class projects are completed, the crucial step that must not be forgotten is the project story. This is a vital reflection and learning opportunity! How do you write a great story? Read on!

1. Identify your story.
When writing your project story, include the following information:

DATES: When did you start and finish your project?

AUTHOR: Who is writing this? You? Give yourself some props.

SCHOOL INFORMATION: What’s the name of your school? What grade are you in?

LOCATION: What school district are you in and what is the name of your city?

Digital photos are much easier for us to use.

[Choose your best photo. People are more likely to read a story that has an interesting picture with it.]

One more thing—Find that one great photo. We will post your project story and photo on our website.

2. Follow these steps for writing a complete success story.

You worked hard every step of the way! Be sure you don’t miss a detail of the whole Earth Force process.

Talk about what you actually did for your project. How did you actually get it done? Did the class split up into committees? How long did it take?

Think about all of the research that you did and what you learned from them.

If you have guest speakers and so, what did you learn from them?

To change what? Which options for change did your research open up? Why did you take it? Did you have to change the vote? What new laws do you envision? What policy or practice did you get out of your research?

Think about all of the research that you did and what you learned about your issue. Were you able to change the vote? What new laws do you envision? What policy or practice did you get out of your research?

Recall the issue you selected and why you selected it. What led you to this issue?

In your community environmental inventory process, how did it show up?

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Don’t forget—Thank your partners!

One thing you always must do is mention any community partners that helped you. The more they helped you, the more likely community partners will be to help you next time!

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When you have your story written and your photo picked out, send them to your local Earth Force staff.

Email or snail mail is fine. Just check with your teacher for the appropriate contact information.

Send it in!