



WOW-Oceans Action Plan

What is the problem/issue needing improvement and why is it a problem/in need of improvement?

How is it impacting people, the school, the economy and/or the environment?

After a recent hurricane our coastal dunes and plover nesting areas were either severely damaged or wiped out. In our state the piping plover is listed as threatened. Coastal dunes protect our community during flood events and natural disasters and the piping plover is an integral part of our coastal ecosystem.

What action(s) will we take?

How will we persuade people at school to change current practices in order to solve the problem/make improvements?

- Research and connect with local agencies and organizations who work on dune restoration and protection and monitoring of the plover
- Participate in dune restoration and plover counts
- Raise awareness about the important role dunes play in protecting the community

Who will do it?

Who are the community experts and leaders that can help us solve the problem/make improvements?

- Eco-Action Team
- School staff and student body
- Community volunteers
- Local agencies and organizations



<p>When does the team want to reach its goal? Be as specific as possible – goals can be modified.</p>	<p>Timeline to be determined based on the needs and timeline of the agencies and organizations we partner with on projects. Ideally there will be opportunities spread throughout the year.</p>
<p>How and when will we monitor our progress toward our goals?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Eco-Action Team meetings • Periodic feedback from our partners • Final review and summary of our experiences, to include data, photographs and video • School community survey
<p>What will success look like?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our school will have successfully contributed to no less than (2) volunteer restoration days. • We opened the door to participate each year on dune restoration and plover count projects, creating a meaningful partnership within the community. • We raised awareness through a variety of communication strategies (social media, digital newsletters, local media, etc.) about the important role of dunes and the local coastal wildlife and connecting the community with opportunities to support agencies and organizations.
<p>What materials do we need to solve our problem/accomplish our goals? Do we have them at school? Will we need any money? Where can we find donations?</p>	<p>No cost to team or school. All supplies for restoration and plover counts will be provided by our partners.</p>