# Peel EcoSchools Program

Presentation to the Natural Science and Education Committee

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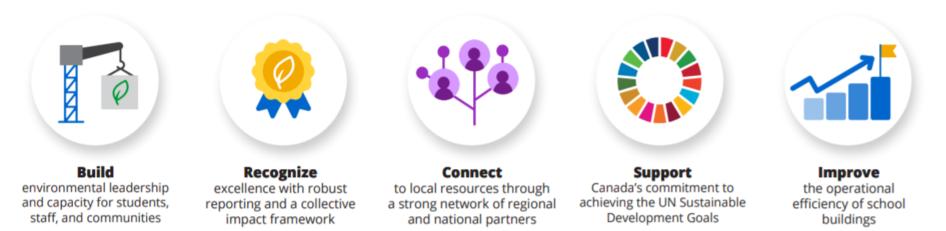
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## **EcoSchools Canada**

#### Mission

To nurture student leaders, reduce the environmental impact of schools, and build sustainable school communities.

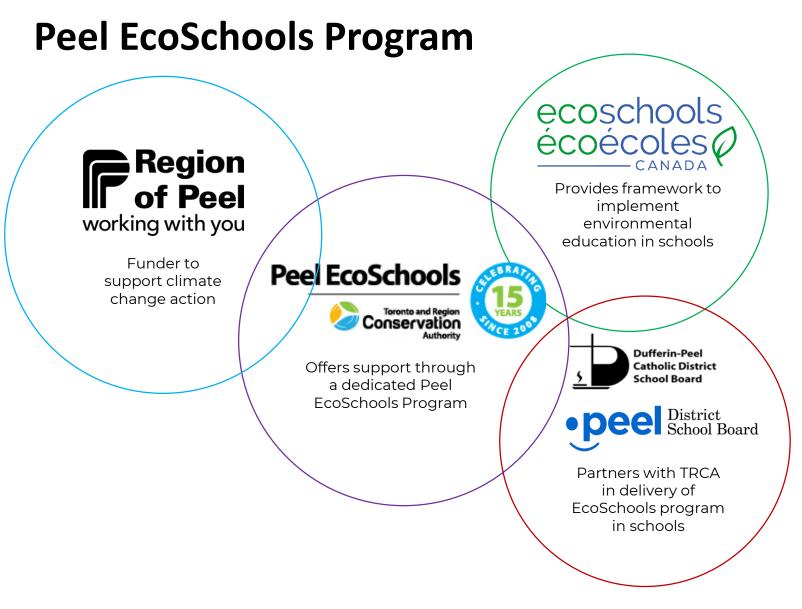




#### **EcoSchools Certification Levels**



- Throughout the school year, schools complete actions in their online application and earn points towards their certification.
- There are four levels of certification – bronze, silver, gold and platinum – as well as a new 'participant' designation.



## What Peel EcoSchools Offers



Customized educator supports



Certification training and professional development opportunities



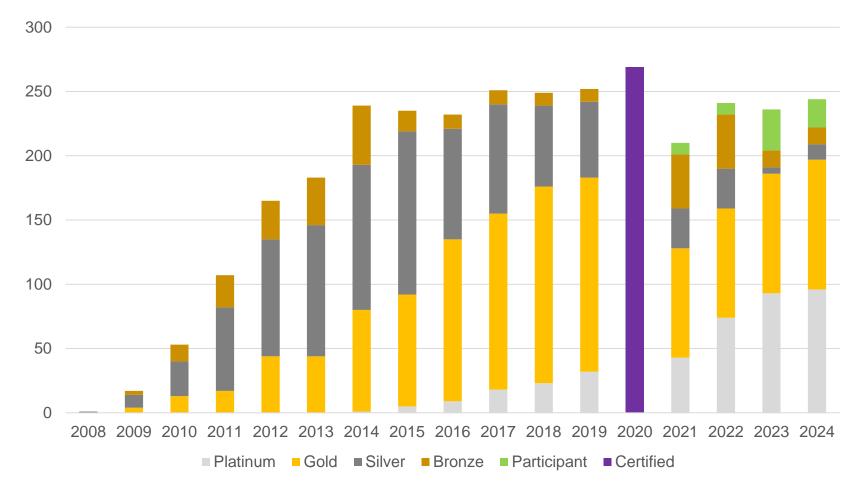
Peel EcoSchools Grant Program



Celebration field trip experiences



### **Achievements Since 2008**



## 2023-24 Achievements

- **222** Peel schools were certified (244 participated!)
- **89%** achieved a gold or platinum level
- 6 new schools joined
- **3.8K** environmental actions completed
- **5.3K** student environmental leaders engaged
- 402K hours of outdoor learning took place, equivalent to almost 46 years!

