The 3R Hierarchy

A learning resource for K-7 educator’s about the 3R’s and waste in the capital region.

The Capital Regional District (CRD) has actively promoted waste reduction and recycling education to elementary students for more than a decade. The CRD’s goal is to increase awareness, understanding and individual action related to the 3R’s. To assist the CRD in meeting its goal, this educator’s manual was developed. This resource is designed to assist educators with promoting 3R (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) concepts and supporting continued 3R learning. All activities and information in the educator’s manual are targeted to elementary students, from Kindergarten to Grade 7.

The objectives of this educator’s manual are to:

- Provide 3R background information to enable educators to feel comfortable, in a relatively short period of time, that the information they provide to their students is local, relevant and accurate;
- Provide interactive and inclusive activities that encourage stimulating discussions through the application of higher-level thinking skills;
- Provide grade-specific activities (with worksheets) that are easily implemented and linked to the provincially prescribed Integrated Resource Packages (IRPs); and,
- Provide skills that enable students to make connections between their individual actions and related impacts while including practical information on actions they can take to reduce, reuse and recycle.

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