

Rain Garden Installation Curtis High School



The Curtis High School Rain Garden was proposed by the CHS Environmental Club to confirm Curtis High School’s commitment as a “Washington Green School” and to showcase to the community ways we can live sustainably. In order to design and build this Native Learning Landscape, the Environmental Club collaborated with Pierce County Public Works, the City of University Place, Pierce Conservation District—Stream Team and the University Place School District.

This rain garden was installed by student and community volunteers. The size and location was based on the amount of runoff draining from the northwest corner of a building roof. Downspouts were then connected to direct roof runoff to the rain garden.



Lessons:

- Watersheds And You
- Water We Doing?
- Gardening Basics

Project:

- Created a native plant learning landscape that harvests rainwater and filters stormwater runoff before it enters Puget Sound.

Partnerships:

- U.P. Refuse-LeMay
- U.P. School District
- City of University Place
- Pierce Conservation District
- Woodbrook Native Plant Nursery

