Teens, Teachers, and the Environment

Teens say they spend 65% of their non-school time studying or doing homework.

When asked what sources they turn to for environmental information, teens cite teachers the most (53%), followed by parents (46%), and TV documentaries (44%).



91% of teens say they trust the environmental information they get from their teacher or school.

Most schools took one field trip outdoors during the prior school year.

Slightly less
than half
of teens
surveyed
studied
environmental
issues at
school
this year.

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Seven in 10 teens expect to go to college. Although many don't know what they want to study, they cite medicine, engineering, and business the most.

Topics studied (24) most frequently in class were:

- Teen issues such as drugs, bullying, suicide (65%)
- National news and current events (64%)
- Politics and government (64%)
- Cultures around the world (60%)
- Local news and events (57%)

When teens do study the environment at school, conservation and how to reduce impact top the list of issues they discuss.

