



# Here's what we have done to **GO GREEN**

**We're always taking steps to become more environmentally conscious.**

## **Green courses**

Many courses offered at Champlain College Saint-Lambert include content related to sustainable development principles, ecological responsibility as well as environmental, social and economic issues.

## **Recycling station and bins**

Located in the main entrance, the recycling station accepts batteries, glasses, ink cartridges and cell phones. Paper and plastic recycling bins are installed in each classroom and office as well as throughout the building hallways and in the print rooms. Metal, glass and computer equipment are also recycled.

## **Upgrades to the facilities**

- Lighting in the classrooms: all the fixtures have been upgraded to energy-efficient units
- High-efficiency toilets and photocell taps have been installed in the washrooms
- A low water consumption dishwasher has been installed in the cafeteria
- New roofing: a long-lasting, eco-friendly elastomeric membrane has been installed

## **Green partnerships**

Our cleaning service provider uses eco-friendly supplies and our food service provider composts vegetable scraps, offers a daily vegetarian option and promotes the use of reusable dishes and cutlery.

## **Organic garden and greenhouse**

The organic garden was designed in 2009 by students in a geography course and was built by our staff. Every year, vegetables and herbs are started in the greenhouse by volunteer students.

In 2017 beehives were installed in the garden to improve and promote biodiversity around the neighborhood. Urban beekeeping workshops are offered by Alvéole who also care for the bees and harvest the honey early fall. Green Team students sell the honey to the College community late fall.

## **Biodiversity garden**

In August 2011, Phase I of the garden was planted including flowers, grasses and shrubs indigenous to the St-Lawrence lowlands region. Future phases of the project will include plants representing the prairies and Asia as well as permaculture design.

## **The future**

We are constantly reviewing current practices at Champlain College Saint-Lambert. If you have an idea for a project or would like to get involved, please contact the Green Team (students) or Go Green Team (teachers and staff).

[www.gogreenchamplain.ca](http://www.gogreenchamplain.ca)