



## **2009 - 2010 Award Winners**

### The School Recycler of the Year *Centennial High School*

Earth Day car pool to school -- Centennial has over 500 parking spaces for student and staff cars. Students organize, publicize, and collect incentive freebies from local businesses to reward participants who carpool on Earth Day. This event has been on-going the past 4 years.

Beautification projects on campus -- when the school opened in 1996, there was no landscaping, and serious erosion was occurring off all the hills and into the streets. The Ecology and Environmental Science classes used money from recyclables to buy plants and trees for garden beds, containers, and erosion control. Now students continue to weed and mulch -- it is a lot to keep up with!

Mentoring and outreach - as part of the criteria for the TP3 Green Schools Program, students have involved all 2nd grade classes at Liberty Elementary in activities about energy, water, air, land, and hazardous materials. One day each week for 5 weeks.

Litter pickups -- Several roads around the school and the campus are kept clean by Ecology and Service Learning students during the school year.

Solar panel project -- Ecology students did all the electrical work to hook up solar photovoltaic panels for a light and fan in their greenhouse.

Ecology teachers have worked with the TEEN program to receive teaching materials on energy and assistance on the solar panel project.