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Green Your School Supplies



It's August 1st! Which means it's not only the kickoff of [World Breastfeeding Week](#), it's also the official time to start getting the kids ready for school. I got so much info about the latest tips, tricks, and gadgets to make your back-to-school a little greener that I couldn't possible fit it in to one post. So stay tuned for future posts about green computing, waste-free lunches, eco-savvy school gadgets, and even greener homework; as well

as great green tips for college students. (Don't forget, if you need the info RIGHT NOW, you can always pick up a copy of [The Green Parent: A Kid-Friendly Guide to Earth-Friendly Living](#).)

Here's how to make your back-to-school shopping a little greener:

Pens, Pencils, and Art Supplies: Minimize waste by purchasing reusable writing supplies whenever possible. Of course, that can be tricky, especially when it comes to little kids that are unlikely to hold on to the same pen from one day to the next. So if you purchase disposables, look for greener options like Pilot's [BeGreen](#) pens and pencils made from recycled materials or check out [Green Earth Office Supply](#) or [Greenline Paper](#) for a selection of eco-friendly writing supplies such biodegradable cornstarch pens, recycled lunch tray pencils, or soybean crayons. And check out my previous on greening your child's [art supplies](#).