



Bee School Application

Name of School

Baker Drive School

Address

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Name of Applicant

Denean Lederer

Applicant's Job Title

Teacher

Organization or Department

Baker Drive Elementary

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Briefly summarize why your school should become a Bee City School.

We are already passionate about supporting pollinators. We participate in the Butterflies in my back yard program with the David Suzuki foundation. We have created a native plant garden for pollinators and actively tend to it, adding new plants and shrubs each year. Multiple grades and community members are involved in this process.

In order to enhance the understanding of the students and staff about the vital role that pollinators play in a healthy ecosystem, the applicant agrees to meet the following commitments required of all Bee City Schools:

1. Adopt the Bee City Canada Resolution (see section G).
2. Create a Bee City Pollinator Team.

Pollinator Team Members

Denean Lederer, Kelsey Keller Teachers
Jill Reid Principal
Lynn Truong Education Assistant
Family members from our classes (changes each year)
learners of all ages

3. Develop a Pollinator Habitat Action Plan:

We have planted three gardens so far. One garden is filled with native plants to support pollinators all year long. The other garden is filled with some native and some pollinator favourites to attract new pollinators to our grounds. The third garden area is a shade garden with shade loving plants (including many native species. We have 3 Mason Bee houses, We plan to add Bat houses to our grounds this winter and we will continue to maintain and add to our pollinator gardens every year. We have also planted flowering shrubs and trees on our grounds.

4. Promote Education about Pollinators:

Many teachers at Baker Drive use our gardens to teach the learners about the importance of pollinators. We create signage and share information with each other in order to promote the understanding and love for pollinators.

5. Celebrate Pollinators:

We will spend time outside tending for and adding to our pollinator gardens. We will communicate the importance of celebrating pollinator week to not only our learners, but to the greater community. We may invite them to come by and notice our efforts. We can create art and signage to bring attention to Pollinators all week long.

I/we, the undersigned agree to:

1. Publicly acknowledge Bee City School designation through publicly displayed signage, city/region/community website and other means.
2. Annually re-apply for Bee City School designation. A renewal application will be sent to you.

Please submit a short 50-100 word write-up of why it's important to become a Bee City School.

Being a Bee City School will bring more attention to what we are already doing and plan to continue to do to support all pollinators. We know that when we notice, name and nurture something, we will grow to love it. We also know that we care for what we love. We know that being a Bee City School will help us develop learners that will love and care for pollinators now and in the future. We know that they will share their love for pollinators and create environmental stewardship in others too.

**I would be happy to share our school logo and files of our gardens but I can't figure out how to save this application until I am back at school to add better files. I hope you will consider this application and contact me for better images. Denean Lederer (604-809-0606)

Signature of Principal/Official

Jill Reid

Date

11/05/2022