



## WATTS GOING DOWN

### Lights for Learning Recognizes Top Selling Schools for 2008-2009 school year

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**Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School, Orland Hills**, was recognized in May as the top selling school within ComEd territory for the 2008-2009 school year.

Over 100 students in grades K-8 participated in the Lights for Learning Program. Their efforts raised more than \$2000.00 in proceeds their school.

In addition to raising much needed funds for the school, the students sold a record 1,684 compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL) and LED Holiday Light



strands.

Cardinal Bernardin School students will be participating in both Fall and Spring fundraisers.

**St. John the Baptist Catholic School, West Frankfort**, was awarded the top selling school trophy for schools within

Ameren Illinois Utility territory. Under the direction of parent Melinda Hilker, students at St. John sold over 1,500 CFLs and LED Holiday Light strands and raised nearly \$1650.00 in proceeds. These earnings are being used to implement a town-wide recycling project.



### Lights for Learning Launches 6th Year

The Lights for Learning Program is happy to announce the start of its sixth Program year.

A special kick-off week is planned for September 14th-18th. Eight schools throughout Illinois will be participating in Lights for Learning presentations. The presentations include

information on energy efficiency, energy conservation, and the use of Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs (CFLs) as a means to reduce home lighting costs. Students also gain valuable information on the use of CFLs as an effective and efficient way to aid in the reduction of carbon dioxide

emissions in the atmosphere.

School students in Kankakee, Chicago, West Frankfort, DeKalb, Romeoville, Big Rock, and Berwyn will all take part in the presentations as well as simultaneously launching their Lights for Learning fundraisers

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Show your creativity and imagination by illustrating how you can 'do your part' to help save the environment.

**Poster Specifications:**  
11 inches X 17 inches  
Paint, magic markers, crayons or cray pas (no colored pencils or water colors)  
Must include the following phrases...  
**Lights for Learning ENERGY STAR 'Do Your Part'**

**Mail submissions to:**  
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## Schools and Organizations Across Illinois Sell Record Number of Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Children in schools and organizations from Rockford to West Frankfort and Quincy to Urbana endeavored to sell 37,018 Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs and LED Holiday Lights strands throughout the 2008-2009 school year. Total proceeds from the Lights for Learning fundraisers topped \$43,900!

Collectively, 2,394 students participated in 161 fundraisers throughout Illinois. In conjunction with the fundraisers, 202 in-school Lights for Learning presentations were given to over 15,000 students, teachers, parents, administrators, and organi-

zation members.

Proceeds from the 2008-2009 school year were dedicated to a variety of noble projects such as:

Amos Alonzo Stagg HS, Palos Heights: conversions of school courtyard to an active, sustainable nature center.

Bloom HS, Chicago Heights: support of alternative energy outreach program.

Campus Middle School for Girls, Urbana: purchase of mosquito netting for an all girls school in Sudan.

Golf Maine Park District, Niles: fund a scholarship program for environmental awareness camp.

Peoria County Farm Bureau 4-H Program, Peoria: support cooperative 4-H Council 'green' activities.

St. Phillip the Apostle School, Addison: launch school-wide environmental enrichment program.

In addition to funding many diverse programs and initiatives, the energy savings from the Lights for Learning fundraisers is equally impressive.

37,018 ENERGY STAR® qualified compact fluorescent light bulbs=

Lifecycle savings:  
\$2,541,826.00

Lifecycle energy saved:  
16,658,100 kWh

Lifecycle air pollution reductions (pound of carbon dioxide):

25,653,474

Air pollution reduction equivalence (number of cars removed from the road for one year): 2,131

Air pollution reduction equivalence (acres of forest): 2,644