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Carmel High  
School  
Environmental  
Club - What we do!

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The background of the slide is a scenic landscape. In the foreground, a paved road with a white line curves through a grassy, hilly area. In the middle ground, there are rolling hills and a body of water, possibly a bay or a large lake, with some small islands or rocks in the water. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds, and the overall lighting suggests a bright, slightly hazy day. The text is centered over this background.

The CHS Environmental Club aims to improve the quality of our school and community through education, action, and encouraging others to make the right decision for our planet.

—Mission Statement



*\*all photos  
taken  
within 5  
miles of our  
high school*

*Our home and why we love it and want to  
protect it.*



# Club Activities - Education



## Green Minute

- Almost every week, one or two students make a short video for the video bulletin that gives a helpful environmental tip or problem and a solution.
- This video bulletin is seen by the majority of the student body every other week.

## Working with leadership to make school events more sustainable

## Movie Nights with Expert Panels (Pre-covid of course)

- Hosted at our school theater and open to students and the public.
- Been able to show about 7



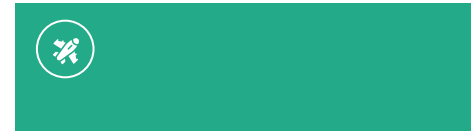
# Club Activities - Improving Our Campus

Waste Signage,  
Compost Collection, and  
Waste Audits

## Water Dispensers



## Educational Signing





# Club Activities - Improving Our Community

## Beach Clean-ups



## Restoration

- 2 exciting upcoming projects
- Los Arboles Middle School restoration continuation
- River State beach ice plant removal project

## Climate Action (fall 2019)



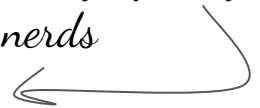


Climate Strike!!! YES





*Our goofball group of nerds*





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**Beach clean-up**  
**Monterey State Beach**  
(Jan 2021)

**Working at Palo Corona  
Regional Park to restore  
over 200 acres!**

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Some of the work that club members did included:

- Drilling holes in the Earth and planting young natives (we planted over 500 plants)
- Planting baby oak trees to start a grove.
- spreading poppy seeds across the space being restored.



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Spring 2021



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You can see the pods for the baby oaks that we planted.

Work at Los Arboles Middle School in Marina CA (a long term project that I have absolutely loved and been able to share with the club)



# What's next?

**Future work with Carmel City  
Climate Committee**

**Continuation of local projects and  
partnerships.**

**Last beach cleanup and hopefully  
golf ball dive before the end of the  
year.**

- ❑ It's easy to become stuck in one of two mindsets.
  - I. Becoming wrapped up in the trivial buzz of day-to-day life... forgetting what is important and remembering to be grateful for how much the Earth gives us (especially living where we do).
  - II. Becoming overwhelmed with the current state of our environment and carrying the weight of the current climate crisis on our shoulders.
- ❑ This is why I love this environmental club so much. It encourages willing high schoolers to make an active effort to improve our local community and spread awareness of sustainable change. It allows young environmentalists to feel supported in making a difference, even if it is small. And it joins like-minded individuals while destigmatizing the notion of truly caring about the natural world around us.



