



Every year, throughout the country, hundreds of thousands of dollars are spent on school incidents involving chemicals such as spills and fires. These incidents involve potentially dangerous chemicals which, in some cases, had been unused decades. In addition to financial costs, these spills may also cause school closures that result in a loss of valuable education time.

EPA's Schools Chemical Cleanout Campaign (SC³) seeks to address this issue by not only cleaning out excess, legacy, unused, and improperly stored chemicals but also by going a step further and implementing preventive mechanisms in schools, such as teaching and practicing green chemistry.

Goals:

- 4 **Prevent** future stockpiles and reduce accidents by establishing prevention activities such as good purchasing and management practices;
- 4 **Remove** outdated, unknown, excessive, or unnecessarily hazardous chemicals from secondary schools;
- 4 **Raise national awareness** of the problem.

Get Involved!

For more information on the EPA Schools Chemical Cleanout Campaign, please visit:

www.epa.gov/sc3

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