



IGNATIAN CARBON CHALLENGE

GLOBAL CLIMATE STRIKE

SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

#IGGYCARBON

Join the Global Climate Strike— Students around the world are striking to demand climate action. Join us as we ask our leaders to support just climate policies that drastically lower carbon emissions and prioritize action to address climate change immediately.

Recognizing that authentic education responds to the signs of the times and that the Society of Jesus has highlighted care for our common home as an issue of importance for Jesuit institutions in the [Universal Apostolic Preferences](#), use the resources below to help you plan a strike or action at your school.

PRAY

Use this [prayer service](#) during a school assembly or to begin your strike.

ACT

Pick one of four collective actions to reduce your institution's carbon emission on September 20, 2019.

1. Electricity: Shut off lights across campus for one hour.
2. Transportation: Plan a walk, bike, public transit, or carpool to campus event.
3. Agriculture: Serve only plant-based meals in the cafeteria.
4. Carbon Sequestration: [Plant a native tree](#) or trees on campus or in your community.

Why these actions? According to the EPA, three of the largest sources of greenhouse gas emissions in the United States are from burning fossil fuels for transportation (28.9%), electricity (27.5 %), and agriculture (9%). Each of the suggested actions addresses one of these areas, and they will have the greatest impact on reducing carbon emissions for the day. In addition to reducing carbon emissions, we also need to capture carbon that is already in the atmosphere which is why we are asking groups to consider planting trees.

ADVOCATE

Provide a space for students, staff, or members of your institution to [send emails](#) to their senators asking them to support the International Climate Accountability Act (S.1743) which directs President Trump "to develop a plan for the United States to meet its nationally determined contribution under the Paris Agreement."