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Stoughton Utilities Brings Live Theatre to Local Students

Stoughton Utilities has teamed up with The National Theatre for Children (NTC) to help educators inspire the next generation of Stoughton's students. This year's program, called "Eco Guardians," features two professional actors who teach about energy efficiency, conservation and renewable resources through their multitude of characters.

The program delivers information on electricity to more than 80 schools in Wisconsin, Michigan and Iowa, focusing on the following educational points:

- How energy use is measured
- How energy is wasted
- How energy is conserved
- Identifying types of renewable energy

The 25-minute live in-school performance aims to have students learn about energy efficiency with the help of Nikki Neutron, a superhero for the energy-saving Eco Guardians. Nikki's boss, U.R. Fired, informs her that the wasteful supervillain The Sneaker is on the loose. With the help of characters like Thunderstorm and Bert the Dirt Expert, Nikki learns all about energy and sets out on a mission.

Students can actively participate and help Nikki convince The Sneaker about the importance of protecting the planet.

"Providing this opportunity through our partnership with NTC and the local schools is such a positive experience," said Jill Weiss, Utilities Director at Stoughton Utilities. "We enjoy offering a program that encourages our area students to learn more about how we power the community."

Along with the in-school assembly, the NTC provides digital materials to expand upon the educational content of the program. For more information about "Eco Guardians," visit <u>nationaltheatre.com</u>.



Actors from the National Theatre for Children portray superheroes called the EcoGuardians, who fight a supervillain during a play aimed at teaching students about energy efficiency and the importance of protecting the planet. The program highlights how energy is conserved, measured and how it can be wasted.

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About Stoughton Utilities

Founded in 1886, Stoughton Utilities serves electric customers in Stoughton and the surrounding area; and wastewater and water customers in Stoughton. The utility is a member-owner of wholesale power supplier WPPI Energy. To learn more, visit stoughtonutilities.com.

About National Theatre for Children

NTC is a premium provider of educational programming with operations in the U.S., Australia and New Zealand. NTC works directly between schools and clients to promote beneficial behaviors and life skills to students in grades K-12 on a local, regional and national level.