

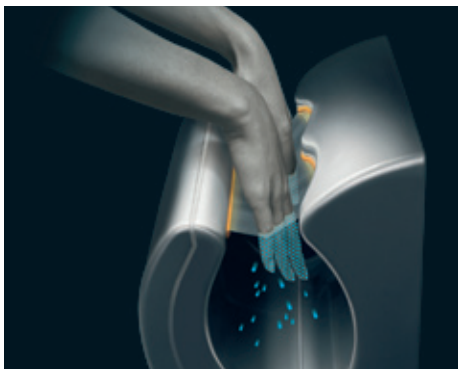
Upland Hills School



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Largely inspired by the work of inventor R. Buckminster Fuller, Upland Hills School has been teaching children from 4 ½ to 14 years old to think comprehensively through process-driven experiences for more than 35 years. Located on 12 acres of forest and rolling meadows in Oxford, Michigan, Upland Hills School is an independent school that prides itself on taking a long term view of education, and the importance of community immersion.



The Challenge

As the culmination to their studies at Upland Hills School, 8th graders are tasked with brainstorming and developing a senior project that they are passionate about, which positively contributes to the local community. Students present their ideas to the staff and subsequently work with a mentor to help bring their dreams to fruition.

Tired of seeing paper towels strewn on the bathroom floors, student Michael Kosuth thought that there must be a better way. For his senior project Kosuth challenged himself to find an energy efficient and hygienic alternative to paper towels.

The Solution

Kosuth researched paper towel alternatives and discovered the Dyson Airblade™ hand dryer. “I thought the Dyson Airblade™ hand dryer was a phenomenal machine and loved how it works by using high-power, pressurized air to scrape the water from your hands. It was a great invention and I thought it was a fit with what Upland

Hills School is trying to do,” said Kosuth. To implement his recommended solution, Upland Hills School installed Dyson Airblade™ hand dryers in its bathrooms (donated by Dyson).

The Results

The Dyson Airblade™ hand dryers have been well received at Upland Hills School. “We have long been involved in the clean tech revolution as ecological awareness is an Upland Hills School initiative, especially with senior projects. The Dyson Airblade™ hand dryer is another step forward in reducing our overall carbon footprint,” commented Director, Phillip Moore. Moore also added with the recent installation of a 10.8kW Solar PV system, “We are even using solar power to generate the electricity that operates the Dyson Airblade™ hand dryer.”

Having successfully completed his senior project with the implementation of the Dyson Airblade™ hand dryer, Kosuth concluded that his greatest lesson of the project was how “what you do today can impact tomorrow.”

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