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College guide unveils 'green' rankings

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Princeton Review named 11 schools to its "2009 Green Rating Honor Roll":

- Arizona State University - Tempe
- Bates College in Lewiston, Maine
- State University of New York - Binghamton
- College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor, Maine
- Emory University in Atlanta
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Harvard College
- University of New Hampshire
- University of Oregon
- University of Washington
- Yale University

By Rebecca Kaplan, USA TODAY

The Princeton Review's annual guide, *The Best 368 Colleges*, out Monday, comes with the traditional rankings of best party schools (University of Florida is tops this year), most beautiful campus (Princeton) and best professors (Middlebury College in Vermont). But this year's edition adds a new wrinkle: how "green" a school is.

Eleven schools made the green rankings, based on criteria such as the amount of money spent on local or organic food, energy consumption from renewable sources and the availability and/or requirement of an environmental education.

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The book has 62 categories in all, including tastiest campus food (Wheaton College in Illinois) and best dorms (Loyola in Maryland). The book's ratings and scores for each school also can be found on the company's website, princetonreview.com.

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I'm sure the college kids who get swept up in all this green nonsense and other liberal causes will love their organic food. Never mind that all the poor people they care about would die from starvation if pesticides were completely eliminated from agriculture.

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Why would anyone care what a college's "green" ranking is? The pertinent questions are, can you afford it? and does it have a good shcool of whatever your major is? As long as they aren't feeding you pig slop, don't worry about the rest of this baloney.

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December 7, 2010 (Bethesda, Maryland)--An updated ranking of the environmental and sustainable practices of the United States' 10 largest publicly traded homebuilders has been released today 2010 in a new report from the investment firm Calvert, one of the nation's leaders in the field of sustainable and responsible investing.

In alphabetical order, the 10 homebuilders ranked in Calvert's "2010 green homebuilder" survey are: DR Horton, KB Home, Lennar, MDC Holdings, Meritage Homes, NVR, Pulte Homes, Ryland Group, Standard Pacific, and Toll Brothers.

Among other things, the impact of the recession is gauged in the Calvert report as a factor in showing how the top U.S. homebuilders have held, gained or lost ground in the rankings. The 2010 report updates Calvert's first "green homebuilder" survey, which was issued in 2008.

As an investor, Calvert seeks to discern how major U.S. homebuilders compare on policies, programs, and performance relating to the environment and resource efficiency. Calvert's 2010 Green Homebuilders Survey examines the 10 largest publicly traded US homebuilders on the basis of five "green" indicators: land, building materials, energy, water and climate change.
A streaming audio replay of this news event will be available on the Web at http://www.calvert.com as of 6 p.m. EST on December 7, 2010.

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Lenovo Leads, Apple Trails in 'Green' Rankings

Greenpeace evaluates the environmental practices of the world's biggest electronics firms.

By Martyn Williams, IDG News Apr 4, 2007 1:00 pm

Greenpeace has published its latest "green ranking" of the world's biggest electronics companies and the results might surprise you.

The international environmental organization placed China's Lenovo Group Ltd. at the top of the list, which is based on the recycling and toxic content policies of the companies and is intended to pressure them to reduce electronic waste. Lenovo was ranked bottom of 14 companies surveyed when Greenpeace first published the report in August last year.

"It's a surprise that a Chinese firm, which was bottom place in the first edition has climbed slowly to the top," said Zeina Alhajj, a toxics campaigner at Greenpeace.

Lenovo's top spot was helped by big improvements on two issues, she said. First, the company has committed to halting or mitigating the use of chemicals that could potentially be harmful even before scientific studies on the chemical's effects are finished. It's also offering to take back end-of-life products in all countries where it operates.

"Our big disappointment is Apple," said Alhajj. Apple was ranked bottom of the list.

"Since the first version of the report the only company that hasn't moved one point is Apple. They haven't improved one bit, which is really shocking and a huge disappointment knowing they are a leader in terms of design and have this cool image that everyone talks about. But when it comes to

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