

# ECHO RAIN BARRELS



**Outdoor Education Center**

Part of the Anne Arundel County Public Schools  
975 Indian Landing Road  
Millersville, MD 21108



***Installation Instructions***



**Step 1 - PREPARE YOUR SITE.  
Most downspouts empty onto a splash block. Remove the existing splash block**

**After removing splash block, you may have to use a shovel to make a level spot to place your rain barrel**



**Placing concrete blocks or bricks under the barrel provides stability, but is optional**

**Step 2 - MARK YOUR DOWNSPOUT.** After bending your flexible downspout adapter into an "S" shape. Place your barrel in front of downspout. Hold the adapter up to the desired height.



Mark the downspout where it fits into the bottom of the adapter fitting. Most residential downspouts are 3"x 5". If you have larger 4" x 6" downspouts, use the other (larger) end of the adapter. Be sure not to cut the downspout too short!

**Step 3 - CUT YOUR DOWNSPOUT.** Use a hacksaw to cut the downspout off at your mark. Hold the lower section for stability



**Step 4 - CONNECT YOUR BARREL.** Insert the shortened downspout into the flexible adapter. Rest the lower end of the adapter on the screen of the strainer basket. Make sure your barrel is level and stable

**CONGRATULATIONS!** Your Echo Rain Barrel will slow down rain water and allow it to infiltrate into your soil, helping to protect our Chesapeake Bay by reducing runoff. Add additional Echo Barrels to your home and tell your neighbors!