On 16 May people all across the globe are coming together in homes, at schools, universities and community centres to collectively experience the momentum of our movement and strategise their next step. They'll be watching the global premiere of the Do the Math documentary followed by a discussion.

Do The Math was more than a speaking tour in the United States -- it was the launch of a university divestment campaign and a doorway into a movement. In the 6 months since, the divestment campaign has bloomed into a powerful fight with campaigns in over 300 universities and dozens of religious institutions and municipalities in North America. This has inspired others to take up the campaign in Europe and Australia. The film provides awareness and education about climate change, but more importantly, it’s an organising tool that you can use to take (and inspire!) action.

Thank you for being a part of the movement!

First, be sure to invite your family, friends, and neighbours to join your viewing party.

If you have a large enough space consider inviting other members of your community like elected officials, religious leaders, union members, community organisers and local journalists. You can download and print a film poster to put up around town at 350.org/math under the “Resources” tab.
The Do the Math Film premiere

Most people will be hosting their screenings on Thursday 16 May.

Here’s a sample schedule:

19:00-19:10: People arriving for the event.
19:15-20:00: Start the movie! It's 42 minutes long. (Optional: you can also screen some other short videos before or after the main film found here: www.350.org/videos).
20:00-20:30 Discussion of the movie for 30 minutes or as long as you like.

Discussion Suggestions

- It can be helpful to choose one person who will moderate or facilitate discussion.
- It’s great to have a note-taker in order to capture the discussion and refer to later.
- Make sure comments are appropriate, respectful, and inclusive.
- Stick to the topic being discussed. Listen to what others have to say. Ensure that no one person is dominating the discussion.
- Try to ask open ended questions and give space to hear from everyone present.
- Be sure to collect all attendees' contact information so that you can continue to communicate with one another after the screening.
- A printable signup sheet is available at www.350.org/signup-sheets.
- Please scan and email it to us at math@350.org

Sample Discussion Questions

You can use these as a guide, but feel free to let the conversation flow organically.

1. Which issues in the film are most relevant to you and your community? What questions did it raise?
2. What are some of the barriers you have felt to organizing locally around these issues?
3. What are some examples of efforts made towards a renewable energy future in our community? What are existing organizations, allies and campaigns near you?

4. What direct steps can you take? What skills and connections already exist in your group? What sort of support do you need? Where can you find it?

5. What public institutions exist in your local community and how might you pressure them to divest from fossil fuels?

After your screening...

Consider scheduling a follow up meeting while you are all together for people that want to work on climate change issues to keep the momentum going. Then, keep your eyes on your inbox — we’ll be sending out a survey to report back on how your screening went.

How can I get involved?

Go Fossil Free

In 2012, we launched a mass fossil fuel divestment campaign on over 300 universities, in cities and religious institutions around the United States, that is spreading. The basic idea is that if it’s wrong to wreck the planet, it’s wrong to profit from that wreckage. Help us reach our goal of launching hundreds more by starting your own divestment campaign in your community, university or religious institution.

If you’re in Europe, go to: gofossilfree.org/europe or contact our European team at europe@350.org

If you’re in Australia, go to: maths.350.org/australia or contact our team at australia@350.org

If you’re in the United States or Canada, go to: gofossilfree.org or contact us at divest@gofossilfree.org

Global Power Shift – Visit globalpowershift.org and sign the GPS pledge to get involved in your national or regional Power Shift organizing.

Finally, if you have any other questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to get in touch by sending an email to our organising team at math@350.org. We’ll try our very best to get back to you shortly!