

Celebrate America Recycles Day with Kids, Cans & Ca\$h Guilford County Elementary School Recycling Challenge



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Tips for Schools

Create excitement!

- Put up posters in hallways and classrooms where students will see them often.
- Make morning announcements about what to do and the progress of collection.
- Hold an assembly to tell students about the recycling challenge.
- Send flyers home with students to enlist the help of parents and families.

Enlist volunteers!

- Ask student council or clubs to handle collection of the cans.
- Talk to your PTA about managing your school's efforts.
- Work with your local fire department and civic groups to collect cans for the school.
- Ask parents to collect cans at their workplace.

Make collection easy!

- Station volunteers at the front doors to collect cans from kids as they arrive at school.
- Set up a weekend collection event at your school.
- Place a drop box in the office or cafeteria for staff and students to use.

Do's & Don'ts

Do.....

- Collect only aluminum beverage cans.
- Rinse and dry cans before bagging them.
- Use only clear plastic bags – 55 gallon size are best.
- Clearly and permanently mark each bag with your school name.
- Involve your community in your school's collection efforts.
- Call your contact person for help and ideas!

Don't.....

- Include metal food cans or other types of metal.
- Store un-rinsed cans, as they can attract bugs.
- Use opaque bags – recycling workers need to be able to see the contents of your bags.
- Forget to label each of your bags with your school name so you get proper credit.