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Web Sites

Action for a Cleaner Tomorrow

This South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control page features “Action for a Cleaner Tomorrow”—an activity-based interdisciplinary curriculum supplement that can serve as a starting place for incorporating basic environmental education into regular classroom activities.

► <http://www.scdhec.net/recycle/html/action.html>

Beach Sweep/River Sweep South Carolina

This Department of Natural Resources Web page lists specific beaches and rivers in twenty counties in South Carolina that are in need of volunteer cleanup efforts that could be used as service-learning projects.

► <http://www.dnr.state.sc.us/water/envaff/river/educate/rivedu.html>

Branching Out: The NC Forest Stewardship Activity Guide

This document is a middle school environmental education activity and study guide on forest and natural resource issues.

► <http://www.ces/ncsu.edu/nreos/forest/steward/pdf/brantoc.html>

Cigarettes [*sic*] Butts as Litter

This Web page was created by sixth-grade students at Norfolk Collegiate Middle School in Virginia as a project in their earth science class: “We hope that this page can further educate you in the effects and dangers of cigarette litter on the environment.”

► <http://ncs.pvt.k12.va.us/ecoweb/belle1.html>

CigaretteLitter.Org

CigaretteLitter.Org is a nonprofit organization dedicated to educational campaigns aimed at significantly reducing the amount of cigarette litter in America.

► <http://www.cigaretteLitter.org>

Compassionate Action Institute

This site offers action steps for students to protect and preserve the environment.

► <http://www.pleasebekind.com/dontlitter.html>

Cornell University’s Composting in School

This site features such links as “Teacher’s Page,” “Ideas for Student Research Projects,” and “Compost Quiz.”

► <http://www.cfe.cornell.edu/compost/schools.html>

Earth 911 Kids

This Web page allows you to select your grade level to be taken to age-appropriate environmental information, games and activities, links, and more—all designed to help “Make Every Day Earth Day!”

► <http://SouthCarolina.earth911.org/usa/master.asp?s=kids&a=kids/kids.asp>

Earth’s Birthday Project

The Earth’s Birthday Project’s Web site offers suggestions for hands-on experiences that will get students excited about environmental education.

► <http://www.earthsbirthday.org>

Earth Force

The Earth Force organization engages youth through three environmental programs: CAPS, GREEN, and Earth Force After School.

► <http://www.earthforce.org/>

EcoKids

EcoKids is an appealing environmental Web site for upper elementary and middle school students.

► <http://www.ecokidsonline.com/pub/index.cfm>

Enviro Links

This page provides a long list of links to international Web sites that are dedicated to environmental issues.

► <http://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/waste/envirolinks.html>

Environmental Organization Web Directory

This page offers what is reportedly the largest exclusively environmental organization directory on the Web, including sites from over one hundred countries.

► <http://www.webdirectory.com>

Environmental Protection Agency

This interactive kids’ page offers games, information, and activities for elementary and middle school students.

► <http://www.epa.gov/kids/>

Environmental Quality Control Publications

This page features current issues of the *South Carolina Recycles* newsletter along with links to many other publications from the Department of Health and Environmental Control’s Office of Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling.

► <http://www.scdhec.net/eqc/lwm/recycle/html/pubs.html#>

Enviro Solutions' Printer Cartridge Recycling Programs

This Web site provides detailed information on the potential service-learning project of collecting and sending in the used cartridges, as well as receiving payment for them,

▶ <http://www.envirosolutionsllc.com>

Facts about Litter

This page, produced by Australia's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), deals with topics such as "What is litter?" and "Environmental impacts of litter" and gives links to specific EPA research results on each topic.

▶ <http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/litter/factsaboutlitter.htm>

Garbage Reducer

This page provides links to Web sites that will help you find ways for your school to create less garbage.

▶ <http://students.washington.edu/lajohnsn/garbagereducer.html>

Global Marine Litter Information Gateway

This Web site, which is devoted to eliminating the hazards that litter in marine and coastal environments creates for all forms marine life, contains links such as "Kids' Pages," "Litter Info Wanted," "Global Action," and "Regional Action."

▶ <http://marine-litter.gpa.unep.org>

The Happy Earth Day Coloring and Activities Book

This creative and educational twelve-page book is offered by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

▶ <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/kids/happy.pdf>

Keep America Beautiful

Keep America Beautiful—a nonprofit organization whose programs educate the public about litter prevention and ways to reduce, reuse, recycle, and properly manage waste materials—offers this "Just for Kids" page, which features tips, puzzles, and other fun activities.

▶ <http://www.kab.org/kids1.cfm>

Kids for Saving Earth

Conservation, endangered species, rainforests, forests, toxic waste sites, and health issues are some of the ecological concerns covered at this Web site.

▶ <http://www.kidsforsavingearth.org/>

Litter Reduction Program

This Web page, which is part of the University of British Columbia's Waste Management program, contains links such as "What is Litter?" and "Who is Responsible for Littering?"

▶ <http://www.recycle.ubc.ca/litter.html>

NIEHS Kids' Pages

The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences offers on-line a coloring book, games, songs, and stories that focus on environmental issues.

▶ <http://www.niehs.nih.gov/kids/home.htm>

"No Butts about It" Litter Campaign

This Web site, which is part of the effort by organizations and individuals in some forty-five states to help rid the earth of cigarette butt litter contains the "Cigarette Butt Litter Fact Sheet."

▶ <http://hometown.aol.com/teamstein/myhomepage/index.html>

Ollie's Club

This Australian site provides information for children worldwide about the four Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Rethink.

▶ <http://www.ollierecycles.com.au/club/club.htm>

PalmettoPride

This site provides information on PalmettoPride, South Carolina's antilitter and beautification campaign, and has links to other Web sites and resources.

▶ <http://www.palmettopride.org/home.asp>

Pennsylvania Resources Council

The Pennsylvania Resources Council (PRC), a leader in waste reduction and recycling, provides information on environmental programs that can be implemented within a school or community.

▶ <http://www.prc.org/aboutprc.htm>

Philip Morris USA

This cigarette maker's Web page addresses the need and fosters the effort to reduce cigarette butt litter.

▶ http://www.philipmorrisusa.com/policies_practices/litter.asp

“Precycling: How to Shop for Future Generations”

This three-page essay on product packaging is taken from *Recycling World*, an Environmental Defense Fund newsletter about practical action for the environment.

► http://www.edf.org/pubs/Brochures/RecyclingWorld/b_Precycling.html

San Diego Earth Times On-Line

This monthly reader contains articles covering local, national, and international environmental topics.

► <http://www.sdearthtimes.com>

S.C. County Recycling Programs

This Web page of the Office of Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling at the Department of Health and Environmental Control allows you to click on your county on a South Carolina map and learn which recyclables are collected in your county, which recycling center is nearest your home, who your county recycling coordinator is, and where can you recycle used oil in your county.

► <http://www.scdhec.net/eqc/lwm/recycle/html/counties.html>

SCDOT CARES

This Web page explains the SCDOT CARES (an acronym for “South Carolina Department of Transportation Cares about Roads, the Environment, and Safety”) program, which sends trained SCDOT employees into local public school classrooms to teach young people about the importance of protecting the environment.

► <http://www.dot.state.sc.us/community/cares.html>

South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium

The Web site is the home of the Beach Sweep/River Sweep effort in South Carolina.

► http://www.scseagrant.org/education/education_bsrs.htm

Waste: The Environmental Problem

This page, written by Canada’s Peace and Environment Resource Centre, contains sections such as “There Is No ‘Away’” and “Packaging: How Much Is Too Much?”

► <http://perc.ca/waste-line/rrr/home/waste.html#packaging>

Waste Wise Schools

The Web site of Australia’s leading environmental education program, Waste Wise Schools offers information, activities, and projects related to minimizing waste and reducing litter.

► <http://www.gould.edu.au/wastewise/kids/default.htm>

Further Ideas for Educators

1. Pick up one piece of litter every day and encourage students to do so.
2. When you see someone littering, report it! Call the Litter Busters Hotline: 1-877-7-LITTER. Give this number to parents and encourage them to call as well.
3. Start your own local Keep America Beautiful (KAB) affiliate, Adopt-a-Highway, or neighborhood cleanup group. Visit the PalmettoPride Web site to find out how.
4. Encourage students to put trash bags in their family vehicles and use them!
5. Encourage students to take the PalmettoPride Promise. Visit the PalmettoPride Web site to find out how.
6. Organize a fund-raiser to pay for cleanup supplies and to support countywide cleanups.
7. Encourage the elementary schools in your district to request a performance of the PalmettoPride *Litter Trashes Everyone* marionette show.
8. Encourage local groups and schools to apply for PalmettoPride grants.
9. Make a list of abandoned or run-down buildings and vacant lots in your area and organize a school-sponsored beautification project to clean them up.
10. Encourage your local police department to get involved in a “Zero Tolerance for Litter Weekend.”
11. Start a student chapter of PalmettoPride.
12. Have students make antilitter signs and ask for permission to post them at local fast food restaurants and grocery stores.
13. Have students petition your mayor or town council to declare an official cleanup day or weekend.
14. Have student groups organize a cleanup after a big outdoor gathering such as a local festival, street party, or sporting event.
15. Distribute PalmettoPride bumper stickers to students to put on the family car.
16. Organize a community “Walk for Cleanup and Beautification.”
17. Help students develop a project that would qualify for a Challenge for the Environment Grant. Visit the PalmettoPride Web site to find out how.

Adapted from the PalmettoPride pamphlet *It's Up to You to Keep South Carolina Litter Free*.