



Recycle Right!

Recycle Right! is Southeastern Indiana Recycling District's theme for 2019. We want everyone to work on recycling the right kinds of things, placing only what you know is recyclable in the bins, and preparing them correctly.

- Rinse out recyclable items (bottle- and jug-shaped #1 and #2 plastics and steel and aluminum cans).
- Place them in the proper bin.
- Don't mix food waste or non-recyclable items with recyclables.
- Keep paper, newspaper, and cardboard clean and dry.

Ask permission to take pictures at your school of students and teachers Recycling Right and post to social media using #recycleright. You can also send photos to mandy@seird.org and we will post them on our Facebook page. We want to show that YOU know the right way to recycle!



Don't go overboard!

Be a smart recycler

"Going overboard" means losing control and doing too much of something — even a good thing. For example, if you ate so many yummy apples that you got sick to your stomach, you "went overboard" eating them. Eating apples is good for you. But losing control and eating so many that you feel sick is NOT!

The same thing goes for recycling. We all have learned that recycling is good for the planet. But did you know that some people "go overboard" when they recycle? They want to do the right thing and recycle. This is fantastic! But sometimes they aren't sure if something is recyclable or not and they toss things into the recycling bin that cannot be recycled. Sometimes people leave a lot of food in recyclable bottles or cans they place into the bin. This makes a big mess! This yucky mix of recycling and garbage takes hard work, time, and money to separate. Sometimes the mess is impossible to sort out. Then the recycling is ruined and may have to be sent to a landfill.

This is why it is important to know what to recycle and how to prepare it before placing anything into the recycling bins at your home, in your school, or at a drop-off center.

Be a smart recycler and recycle right. Don't "go overboard." And help your family members, classmates, and friends be smart recyclers, too!



WHAT should I recycle?

- Aluminum cans, such as pop and juice cans
- Steel cans, including food, soup, pet food, and "tin" cans
- #1 and #2 Plastic bottles, jugs, and jars accepted everywhere
- #3-#7 Plastics **only accepted in curbside bins**
- Glass bottles and jars
- Newspapers
- Magazines and catalogs
- School papers, printer and copier paper, and mail
- Paperboard, such as empty cereal and gift boxes
- Corrugated cardboard, such as shipping boxes



HOW should I prepare my recycling?

- Empty and rinse food and drink containers. Turn containers upside down and let them drip dry.
- Break down and flatten boxes.
- Recycle only clean paper products. Remember — paper and boxes soaked with grease or covered in sticky, spilled food should go into the trash.
- Don't bag your recycling. Put clean recyclables loose into the cart or bin.
- Never leave recycling on the ground outside of full collection bins. Please wait and drop off your recyclables later. Animals can be harmed by these items, and they can also be scattered and become litter.



WHY should I recycle?

- Recycling keeps usable resources out of landfills.
- Making new products from recyclables uses less energy and creates less pollution.
- Recycling helps create jobs.

WHERE should I recycle?

Curbside recycling is available to residents within the city limits of Batesville, Brookville, Hanover, Madison, Milan, Rising Sun, Scottsburg, Sunman, and Vevay. People living outside of the city limits should use our county drop-off sites in Franklin, Jefferson, Jennings, Ripley, Ohio, Switzerland, and Scott counties and in Batesville.

Please look us up on the web at www.seird.org for addresses, hours, and updates on what is accepted at each location.



TIME AFTER TIME

A time capsule is a container that holds articles from a certain place and time. Time capsules are usually buried or built into a sealed place and meant to be opened much later. They show people in the future what life was like at the time they were hidden.

At a Materials Recovery Facility, where recycling is sorted, a time capsule was dug up next to the building. The objects inside were clues to the year the time capsule was buried. The workers found and counted these objects:

653 aluminum drink cans	
54 newspapers	
475 glass bottles	788 tin cans

Add the number of objects. The total number of objects will give you the year the time capsule was buried, but not the reason. The time capsule was buried during the year that 20 million Americans gathered in towns, cities, and our nation's capital to talk about pollution and work together to find ways to improve the environment.

653	
54	
475	
+ 788	

What was the year? _____

What was the event being celebrated? _____

PUZZLING CLUES

Samantha's Girl Scout troop is raising money to help build recycling bins for their camping trips. Use the clues below to discover how much money each scout raised.

- A. Samantha raised \$27 more than Daniela.
- B. Sarah raised twice as much as Daniela.
- C. Alyssa raised \$12 less than Samantha.
- D. Grace raised \$7 less than Sarah.
- E. Samantha raised \$68.

Questions:

1. Which clue did you use first?
2. Was there any clue you did not use?
3. Who raised the most money?
4. Who raised the least money?
5. How much money did each scout raise?
Samantha _____ Daniela _____ Alyssa _____
Grace _____ Sarah _____

RUNAWAY RUN-ONS sail away

Instructions: Read each run-on sentence. Fix it by creating two simple sentences or rewriting it to make one compound sentence with a coordinating conjunction or one complex sentence with a subordinating conjunction.

1. Hailey collected all of the cans at the picnic she recycled them at home in her family's cart.

2. The recycling bins by the gym were full the principal asked the green team to empty them.

3. Joshua wrote a song about recycling he performed it at the talent show.

4. Ryan and Aron planned a litter cleanup at the baseball field, they asked their classmates to help.

5. Valentina saw the mess she got a bag and started picking up.

6. Leaving grass clippings on the lawn is good for the grass, it adds moisture to the soil.

7. Alexander pulls weeds his older brother mows the lawn.

8. Peyton takes the recycling cart to the curb on Thursday morning she leaves for school.

9. Caleb created a recycling poster for his family, he posted it in the garage.



This experiment will help you understand more about litter and the effect it has on waterways, such as rivers and oceans. To do this experiment, you will need plastic bottles or containers, toothpicks, paper, scissors, glue, and a sink with a stopper.

1. Use the plastic, toothpicks, and paper to make a small ship. First, cut a small square out of the plastic. This will become the main body of the ship.
2. Cut the sharp part off of one end of the toothpick and glue that end to the center of the plastic square. Be sure to hold the toothpick in place for about a minute and then allow the glue to dry completely.
3. Cut a square out of the paper about the same size as the plastic or smaller. This will be the sail of the ship. Feel free to decorate it with crayons or markers!
4. Carefully bend, but do not fold, the paper in half and stick the sharp end of the toothpick through the center of the two halves. Separate the two sides of the paper to open it up and create a sail.
5. Put the stopper in the sink and fill it with water. Place a few of the ships on the water.
6. Try turning the faucet on and off or blowing on the sails. Observe the movement of the ships.
7. Leave the ships in the water, and then pull the plug at the bottom of the sink.

Questions:

1. Where do the ships end up when the water drains?

2. Imagine that the ships were litter and the sink was a waterway. What forces move litter around in nature?

3. How might litter affect the plants and animals living in and around a waterway?

4. How might litter affect people who drink the water or use the waterway for recreation or fishing?

5. If a plastic water bottle is dropped in a river, is it possible that the bottle could end up in the ocean? Why or why not?

THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX

An idiom is a phrase whose meaning doesn't match the exact meaning of the words that make it up. In other words, an idiom is a saying that doesn't mean exactly what the words say. Many cultures have idioms with meanings that have been passed down for years. "Think outside the box" doesn't mean to step outside of a box and start thinking. Instead, it means to think about something in a new way.

Instructions: Write the common meaning for each idiom below.

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| 1. Idiom: Get carried away
Meaning: _____ | 4. Idiom: Recharge your batteries
Meaning: _____ |
| 2. Idiom: Go overboard
Meaning: _____ | 5. Idiom: Miss the boat
Meaning: _____ |
| 3. Idiom: Make do
Meaning: _____ | |



Mark your family calendar

If you live in Franklin, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, Scott, or Switzerland County, your family doesn't have to drive to the SEIRD facility near Madison to dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW), such as toilet and household cleaners, weed and bug killers, and oil-based paints and stains. SEIRD offers two HHW disposal days in each of the other counties in our District during the spring and summer. Here are the dates for spring:

April 6

Franklin County Recycle Center, Brookville – 8 to 10 a.m.

Batesville Area Recycle Center (Ripley County) – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

April 13

Jennings County Recycle Center, North Vernon – 8 to 10 a.m.
Scott County Recycle Center, Scottsburg – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

April 20

Switzerland County Recycle Center, East Enterprise – 8 to 10 a.m.
Ohio County Recycle Center, Rising Sun – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

If you miss the collection near you, remember that everyone who lives in our seven-county District can drop off HHW at the SEIRD facility located at 6556 North Shun Pike Road, Building #534, inside the Jefferson Proving Ground. Drop-off hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

Our second round of mobile HHW collections will be held in August. Check our website, www.seird.org, for dates and locations.



We would love to be your guest

Sometimes special guests come to school, scouts, or club meetings to share new ideas or talk about what they do. Learning something new from a guest can be fun because they talk about things that happen outside of school. A police officer may come to talk about staying safe in our neighborhoods. A dentist may come



to talk about taking good care of our teeth. Did you know that we can come to speak to your school or group? We are available for classroom presentations during the entire school year because EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY!

Our fun presentations will teach you about keeping our earth safe and healthy. Ask your teacher, scout leader, or club sponsor to contact us to schedule a visit. Contact Mandy Creech at 812-574-4080 or mandy@seird.org. We offer fun activities about reducing waste and litter, recycling, composting, and more and are available for classroom presentations and field day or agricultural day activities as well. While you wait for our visit, you might like to visit a couple of great websites that will teach you about the environment while you have fun playing games.

- Recycle City needs your help to clean up "Dumptown" at www.epa.gov/recyclecity.
- Join the members of Mission Earth as they explore our planet at www.pbskids.org/readyjetgo/games/mission.



Join us for free Earth Day goodies!

The week of April 22 we will be celebrating Earth Day by visiting each of our recycling centers and distributing goodies to people bringing in their recycling. Watch our Facebook page to see when we will be visiting the center nearest you, and stop by to say hello!

College scholarships available

Do you have an older brother or sister who is a senior in high school and planning to go to college next year? Tell them about the Southeastern Indiana Recycling District (SEIRD) 2019 Students Making an Environmental Difference Scholarship. Students attending any high school located in Franklin, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, Scott, or Switzerland County can apply, and multiple scholarships may be awarded.

Application forms can be picked up in the high school guidance counseling office, requested by email from Mandy Creech at mandy@seird.org, or found at www.seird.org/education. The deadline to apply is Monday, April 1, 2019.



Recycle old markers with Crayola's free ColorCycle program for schools

Collected markers are shipped back at no cost and recycled. Ask a teacher or parent to visit www.crayola.com/colorcycle for resources and details.



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