

School Board of Brevard County

2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way • Viera, FL 32940-6699

Desmond K. Blackburn, Ph.D., Superintendent



December 4, 2017

RE: League of Women Voters Recycling Awards Program

All School Principals,

One of the League of Women Voters (LWV) national initiatives is the preservation and improvement of the environment. The LWV of the Space Coast supports this concern and strongly encourages the practice of the 3Rs – **R**educe, **R**euse and **R**ecycle – and any program that implements those concepts.

The LWV supports recycling as a standard practice that makes sense not only from an environmental standpoint but also from a financial perspective. Many agencies discover their solid waste costs are reduced by participation in a recycling program. A secondary benefit is that recycling helps reduce the school district's annual solid waste disposal assessment and reduce the amount of garbage that continues to go into the landfill.

To further encourage recycling, the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast continues to support the education of Brevard's students with an Awards Program that recognizes best environmental practices and welcomes new perspectives into waste generation and disposal. Awards are presented to Brevard County public schools at the elementary, middle and high school levels that promote recycling. **To participate in this awards program**, please complete the **Recycling Awards Program School Application Form**, submit it to the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast and follow the guidelines on the attached instruction sheet.

If you have questions pertaining to this program, please contact Marcia Booth, LWVSC Project Coordinator at (305) 479-4514 or via email at Marcia@RecycleBrevard.org.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Superintendent, Facilities Services

cc: Curriculum Contact
PTO President
Environmental Science Contact
School Recycling Contact

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE SPACE COAST

November 20, 2017

Dear Recycling Contact,

On behalf of the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast (LWVSC), I wish to thank you and your school for your consideration in participating in the LWVSC Recycling Awards Program. Our aim is to help instill in our youngsters an appreciation for the environment and the need to conserve our precious natural resources. We hope that this program is a step towards that goal.

The schools that choose to participate will be recognized at a Brevard Public Schools Board Meeting in the spring and awards will be presented then.

In cooperation with Brevard Public Schools (BPS), the LWVSC Project Coordinator has developed some criteria to assist you. The attachment to this letter describes how we intend to implement this program and should answer your questions. If you require any additional information, please contact Marcia Booth, LWVSC Project Coordinator at (305) 479-4514 or via email at Marcia@RecycleBrevard.org.

Thank you again for your commitment to recycling and your interest in our Recycling Awards Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Barbara Williams'.

Barbara Williams
President
League of Women Voters of the Space Coast

Attachments

P.O. Box 360823, Melbourne, FL 32936-0823

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League of Women Voters of the Space Coast

2017-2018 Recycling Awards Program

Instruction Sheet

Eligibility

All Brevard County elementary, middle and high schools are eligible to participate.

Participation

1. Fill out the school application form and, by January 08, 2018, email it to Marcia@RecycleBrevard.org or mail it to the address specified on the form.
You may also fill out the online application form at <http://bit.ly/2zEpJpc>
2. Schedule a tour according to *Requirements* below
3. Plan your project and choose one of the formats listed under *Entries*
4. Take the tour and have students discuss their experience and document their reflections
5. Complete your project, fill out the submission form and submit it by April 27, 2018 with your project

Requirements

For grades 4th and above, each school will organize a group to take a tour of the landfill. For touring information, you may contact Brevard County Solid Waste Management Department at (321) 633-2042 - Andrea Bolitho (andrea.bolitho@brevardfl.gov) or visit <http://www.brevardfl.gov/SolidWaste/TourFacility>.

For grades lower than 4th, the group may participate by touring their own school and learning about their current recycling program.

After the tour, the group will discuss their experience and reflect about what they and their school can do to help minimize the use of landfill and maximize the recycling rate in the county.

Entries

Each school will produce an essay, a PowerPoint, video, or poster that depicts and clearly communicates the group's experience in their tour and their reflection, and will submit a copy of it to the LWVSC Recycling Awards Coordinator - Marcia Booth via BPS courier in care of Bruce Lindsay at Energy & Resource Conservation and Facilities Services. Note that no material submitted will be returned, so make sure a copy is submitted.

IMPORTANT! Media submitted must be accessible from any computer. If judges cannot access submission (e.g. cannot read DVD), entry will be automatically disqualified.

All entries must have a copy of the submission form attached to the material submitted.

Entry Period

Application forms due by January 08, 2018

Entry submissions due by April 27, 2018

Criteria

Please refer to the rubric page for details.

Award

Entries will be judged in May and winners announced and recognized at the following regular Brevard Public Schools (BPS) Board Meeting.

A plaque will be presented by the LWVSC to the elementary, middle and high schools with the highest score. Honorable Mention and participation certificates may also be awarded to participants.

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Rubric

As part of the project, students must discuss their experience in the tour they take -- landfill or their own school recycling program -- and reflect about what they and their school can do to help minimize the use of landfill and maximize the recycling rate in the county.

Projects should depict and clearly communicate students' experience in their tour and include their reflection.

Entries will be evaluated according to their content, presentation, and creativity in the solutions suggested to reduce waste and increase recycling rate.

Criteria

All submissions will be judged based on whether the submission:

1. Promotes recycling
2. Depicts experience during school recycling program/landfill tour
3. Communicates well what the tour experience meant
4. Communicates well new ideas/solutions triggered by the tour
5. Exhibits a great level of creativity in the solutions suggested to reduce waste and increase recycling rate
6. Presents original ideas as part of the solutions suggested to reduce waste and increase recycling rate
7. Demonstrates great effort considering level of ability/grade
8. Uses adequate material/media/technique to communicate ideas
9. Includes reflection after tour and expresses impact tour made on the group

Points

Judges will use a scale of 0-5 points -- 0 representing *Not Exhibited in the submission* and 5 representing *Outstanding* -- to rate each submission.

After all submissions are reviewed and judged, points will be added to get to the total number of points for each submission.

Selection

Each category -- elementary, middle and high schools -- will have one entry selected to be the award recipient of the year. Entries with the highest number of points will be selected to receive the award.

Runner-up submissions in each category will be considered for Honorable Mention.

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2017-2018 Recycling Awards Program

School Application Form

Name of School	<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary <input type="checkbox"/> Middle <input type="checkbox"/> High
School Address	
Principal's Name	
School Phone Number	
Recycling Program Contact	
Contact's Email Address	
Contact's Phone Number	

By submitting this form you agree to work with students to create a project in one of the accepted formats within the scope outlined following the requirements listed and submit that project by the deadline of April 27, 2018.

You also agree that the LWVSC may use or share the project you submit at its own discretion to document and promote the Recycling Awards program. It is the school's responsibility to have image/photo release forms for all students who participate in this program.

Date: ____/____/____ Signature: _____

Please complete this form and email it to Marcia@RecycleBrevard.org or mail it to:

League of Women Voters of the Space Coast
c/o Marcia Booth
5943 Goleta Circle
Melbourne, FL 32940

Application forms must be received by January 08, 2018 to be eligible to participate in this year's award program.

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Entry Submission Form

Name of School		<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary <input type="checkbox"/> Middle <input type="checkbox"/> High
Name of Project Contact		Contact Phone#
Project Title	Type (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Essay <input type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint <input type="checkbox"/> Video <input type="checkbox"/> Poster	
Project Description - How was it done? Materials used? Inspiration? Main idea? Message it conveys?		
Grades Participating		Number of Students Involved
Class/Club Responsible for Project		

Please complete this form and send it with your entry. **Entries must be received by April 27, 2018.**

By completing this form you agree that the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast has the right for unrestricted use of your submission for publication in print and online in order to share information about and promote the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast Recycling Awards program.

This would also include rights to authorize the reproductions of all entries in any form, including on the League's and others' websites and social media pages, fact sheets, brochures, flyers, posters, etc., and to exhibit and photograph any projects without compensation to entrants; to use the applicants' and student participants' names and images for public announcement purposes without compensation to applicants or students. Applicants guarantee that parents of students involved in the project or whose images are featured in the entry that was submitted are in agreement with this release and have filed proper image use authorization with the school.