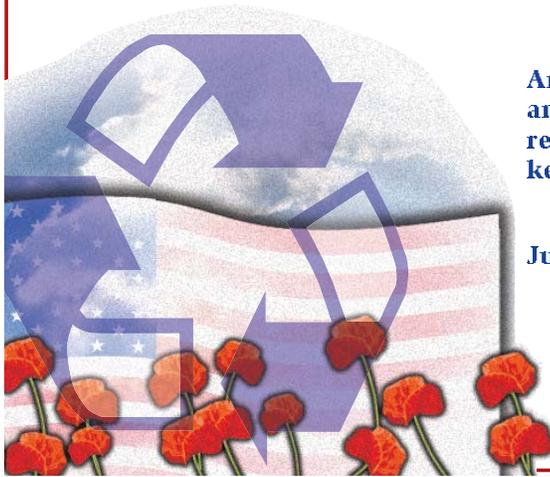




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AMERICA RECYCLES DAY

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America Recycles Day is a national celebration held annually on November 15. It is to remind us how important recycling is and that recycling works. It takes all of us to keep recycling working.

Get Involved! Make An Effort To Make A Difference.

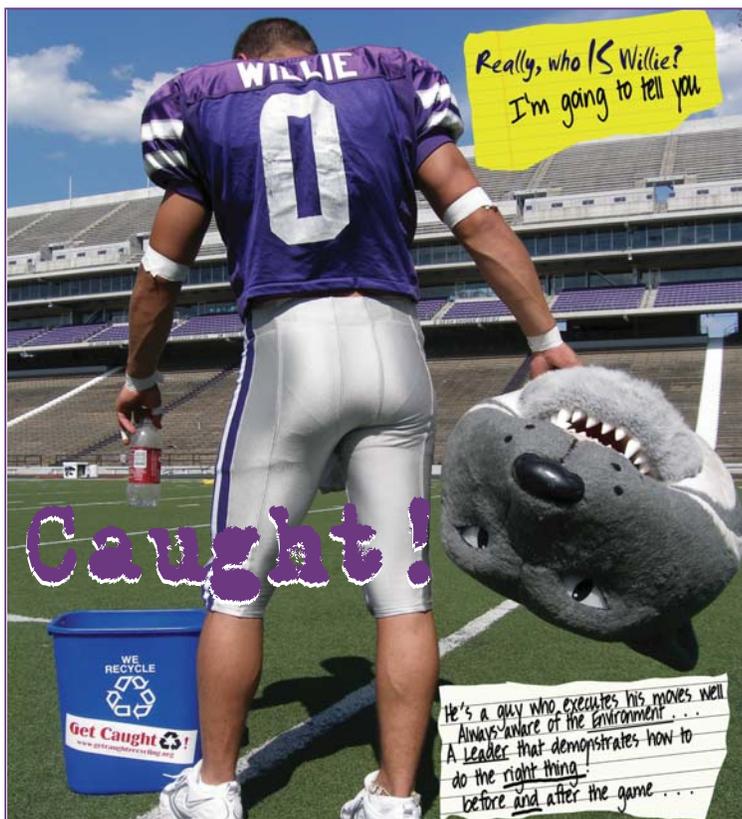
Just a few ways you can support America Recycles Day:

- Throw soft drink cans in the recycle bin
- Buy recycled content products
- Participate in an America Recycles event
- Even organize an event yourself!

The more you do, the better. But even a little helps a lot.

www.americarecyclesday.org

Get Caught ! GetCaughtRecycling.Org



Get Caught Recycling!™

We need your help finding and catching people helping our environment. If you see someone recycling, tell them THANKS and that they've been caught recycling! Send us a picture of one of your friends you've caught!

getcaughtrecycling.org

LOOK INSIDE TO SEE WHO ELSE HAS BEEN CAUGHT!

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Get Caught

DIRECTIONS

- Pick a game piece that will fit in the spaces-like a bottle cap, thimble or eraser.
- Flip a coin.
- If it lands on heads, move 1 space forward.
- If it lands on tails, move 2 spaces forward.
- Complete the cycle and you've closed the loop.



America
Recycles
2006 Contest

Make The Pledge

A Challenge To Yourself
And A Chance To Win
a Trek bicycle

Learn more and enter the
contest at:
[www.americarecyclesday.org/
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HOW TO MAKE A LEAF GUIDE BOOK



MAPLE

1. Collect fresh, well-shaped leaves.
2. Lay the leaves flat between the pages of a large book, or a newspaper then place another book on top of the 1st book.
3. Leave the leaves for about 3 days, until they are dry and flat.
4. Carefully remove leaves from book or newspaper.
5. Cut wax paper approximately 8 x 10 in. (You need enough wax paper to be able to fold it with the leaf inside - one sheet per leaf).
6. Fold wax paper in half (8 x 5 in).
7. Place leaf inside the wax paper with fold of paper to the right and leaf facing up.
8. Press leaf in wax paper with an iron.
9. Stack wax papers with fold of paper to the right.
10. Use colored craft paper (8 1/2 x 11 in.) for the book cover, by folding in half.
11. Insert the stack of wax papers into the craft paper, so that the fold of the wax paper is pointing out.
12. Staple at the fold side of craft paper to secure the leaves in the wax paper.
13. Label pages of the leaf guide book with the name of the leaves.

Recycling!™

AMERICA RECYCLES DAY WORKS!

- Around half of all the people in the U.S. are now served by curbside collection programs. These programs, along with drop-off and buy-back centers, now help us divert about 30 percent of the nation's solid waste stream away from landfills.
- In 1999, recycling and composting activities prevented about 64 million tons of material from ending up in landfills.
- The U.S. recycles 28 percent of its waste, a rate that has almost doubled in the last 15 years.
- 42 percent of all paper, 40 percent of all plastic soft drink bottles, 55 percent of all aluminum drink cans, 57 percent of all steel packaging, and 52 percent of all major appliances are now recycled.



Did you know?

Glass can be recycled over and over again. Some items that are made from recycled glass are: roads, marbles, tiles, and surfboards.



Steel and aluminum can be easily recycled for use in other steel and aluminum products. This not only conserves mineral resources, but the recycling process uses about 75 percent less energy than making new products. Some items that are made from steel and aluminum are: cars, bikes, appliances and cookware.



Kansas Kids Say:



"I recycle pop cans and paper, and I reuse the backside of my school papers."

~ Peyton, Wichita



"I recycle cans and paper."
~ Bryce, Larned

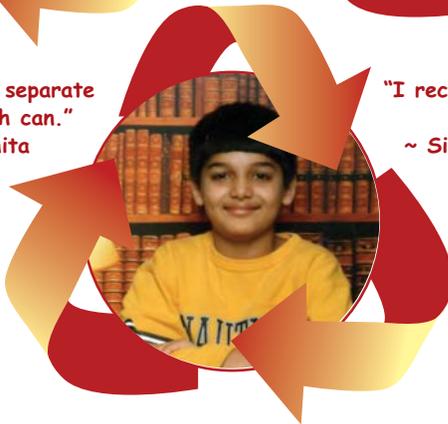


"I recycle pop can tabs and send them in for children's medical treatment."
~ Morgan, Troy



~ Casey, Hays

"We put paper in a separate trash can."
~ Maaz, Wichita



"I recycle cans, paper, and plastic."
~ Jared, Hays

"I recycle our water bottles after we use them."
~ Sierra, Arkansas City



Send it in!

We want to know why recycling is important to you! Send in this form with a photo of yourself and we'll put you in the next issue of Kansas Kids Can!

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Or e-mail us at kkc@kdhe.state.ks.us

Submissions of letters, photos and e-mails by students may be used in part or whole by KDHE, and should be approved by student's parents/guardians.

Name: _____

School: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

What do YOU do in your home to recycle? _____
