

Education Programs

ACSWD'S education program is setup to provide the community with updated information and activities. These lessons cover many ideas on Reducing, Reusing, Recycling, Litter prevention and Composting. Presentations can be altered to the needs of the interested groups and are available to school classrooms, 4-H groups, Safety Towns, church groups, Lions, and numerous community service organizations and public agencies.

PRESENTATIONS

Find a list of some of the presentations offered below.

Let's Make a Shrinky Dink and talk about Plastics

Make a shrinky dink. Witness physical change of plastic as it shrinks in front of your eyes! Those attending will have the opportunity to sort through different types of plastics containers. This activity is enjoyed by all ages, and gives plastics a new purpose as we learn together which plastics can be recycled in our County.

Recycle Right

Participants will learn about Recycling Right in Ashland County. Updates and changes, where to find answers on the web site, location of bins etc.

The Wartville Wizard

Students will be read the story The Wartville Wizard and discuss the disadvantages of littering. Each student will have the opportunity to make a stick hand puppet to take home and share with their families.

Composting...Some Worm has to do it! Let's make a compost sock head.

What elements, animals and insects help in the process of composting? Search through some compost to look for worms and insects. Listen to a story about composting and finish out the class with a Compost sock head made from an old clean sock or make arrangements to build a compost bin.

Explore the process of Paper making and making a craft with recycled paper

Learn about the process in making recycled paper. Each student will have the opportunity to use some of the recycled paper and turn it into an interesting craft.

Michael Recycle

The book Michael Recycle is read and discussed in the classroom. The students share their ideas on ways to keep the Earth Greener and Cleaner. Reusing items we have at home instead of buying something new will be stressed in this activity. **Let's talk zero waste.** A fun craft will be made by reusing Styrofoam egg cartoons.

Trash Bingo

Trash Bingo is a fun way to learn more about reducing, reusing, recycling and litter prevention through a game. This is an activity all ages enjoy and can gain knowledge from. Maximum group size of 25.

Protecting our Land Resources-Earth bead wristband

Protecting our lands resources is very important. A fixed land resource base and an ever increasing number of people to support cause each person's portion to become smaller and smaller. This important message helps to teach all ages the importance of taking care of our Earth. Earth wristbands will be made in this lesson.

The Lorax-Puppet

If you have heard this story once or a hundred times the message is just as important. The story about, "I speak for the trees." What do trees provide? Learning how important it is to recycle our paper to help save our trees. A fun Lorax puppet can be made in this lesson. A story never too small for any age.

Poster Contest, Writing Contests

Contests are offered usually once a year and winners from these contests are displayed in the Ashland County Fair booth each September.

Field Trip with Tour

Field trips to Willodell-Nursery can be arranged for those interested in touring the nursery and getting to visually see an EPA approved and licensed yard waste recycling site in Ashland County. From leaves in the fall to rich dark composted dirt by spring. Learn how the Nursery puts this compost to work in their operation.