Newsletter January-June 2025

Classroom lessons, coloring and writing contests, drop off activities and the annual Earth Day Aluminum tab drive, kick started the 2025 year.

Two hundred in classroom presentations involving four thousand four hundred and thirty nine participants were presented from January-June. Reusing, Recycling, Litter Prevention and Ashland County Recycling Guidelines were discussed. Along with the in classroom presentations forty-five lessons involving one thousand and forty one students were shared. Most of these lessons were make up lessons from snow days and testing days. Rounding out the total of lessons provided to five thousand four hundred and eighty students in all.

Thirteen classrooms with 253 participants took part in a "I Can show Love to the Earth By", writing contest. Forty five classrooms involving one thousand students colored pictures of bees, birds and hummingbirds for the "I Love the Planet coloring contest". Five hundred students from twenty four different classrooms took part in a drawing contest. Many of these will be on display in the booth at the Ashland County Fair in September.

This years Earth Day Aluminum tab drive reached fifty different classrooms and One thousand seventy one students that collected five hundred and fourteen pounds of tabs. In just four years this activity has now collected and delivered two thousand fifty eight pounds of tabs to the Akron Ronald McDonald house. What a great way to involve students, teachers, friends and the community in such a rewarding project. Not only do the students learn about recycling but they also learn about community service and giving back to others through this project.

Literature was shared with 6 farm families about the Farm tire collection. Handouts were given to five hundred students and teachers in twenty five different classrooms on the Household Hazardous Waste and Paint Collection. Literature was passed out at the Ashland County Fair Earth Day event, to several in attendance.

Twelve Girl Scouts and 3 advisors from Pack 3625 based in Loudonville, Ohio learned about Recycling in Ashland County. Litter Prevention, Reusing, and Reducing valuables were also shared with this group.

Great things continue to take place in Ashland County. I look forward to the next six months of 2025.