

Schoolyard Cleanup 2017

Frequently Asked Questions

When can I host a Schoolyard Cleanup at my school?

We are celebrating Schoolyard Cleanup Month from June 1 to June 23 and a cleanup can be held any day during that period. However, the Schoolyard Cleanup is flexible and events can be organized outside of this period if that is more suitable for your team!

I want to lead a cleanup. How do I register my Schoolyard Cleanup?

To participate, please sign up your schoolyard at schoolyardcleanup.wwf.ca and copy and save the registration link that is generated. After your cleanup, you will need this link to return and enter your litter data.

How do I submit the litter data for my school's cleanup?

When you sign up your Schoolyard Cleanup, a registration link will be created for you to copy and save. After your cleanup, you can return to your registration link and submit your litter data results to share your schoolyard cleanup's impact.

I've lost the link to my Schoolyard Cleanup page. How can I submit my school's litter data?

Not to worry! If you cannot retrieve your original Schoolyard Cleanup registration link, you can start fresh and create a new registration page by following the steps to register a Schoolyard Cleanup on the schoolyardcleanup.wwf.ca site.

Where does the litter data go?

Your work as citizen scientists during your Schoolyard Cleanup makes a big impact! By keeping track of your findings on your litter data card and submitting your results, your data will be shared with the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup and the International Coastal Cleanup scientific databases.

Who can participate?

Anyone can participate! Groups of students, teachers, classrooms, and schools are welcome to organize a cleanup in their schoolyard!

I'm a student. How can I organize a cleanup at my school?

All cleanups must be registered by someone 18 years of age or older. Please share your interest in organizing a cleanup with your teacher or principal. They will help you create your event online at schoolyardcleanup.wwf.ca

I am a secondary student. Can I get volunteer hours for participating in the cleanup?

All secondary students can receive volunteer hours for participating in the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup and its Schoolyard Cleanup. To organize a cleanup at your school, talk to one of your teachers or your principal to help organize a cleanup. Alternatively, you can visit shorelinecleanup.ca and find existing Shoreline Cleanups to join and obtain volunteer hours.

Can I organize a cleanup at my post-secondary campus?

You can! Contact your campus's facilities office to notify the grounds staff of your cleanup, and register your event at schoolyardcleanup.wwf.ca

How does a schoolyard cleanup help keep shorelines safer and healthier for wildlife?

By organizing a Schoolyard Cleanup, you're stopping litter in its tracks. Litter can be blown or carried by water into streams, rivers, lakes, and the ocean. Litter is a pollutant for aquatic and shoreline species

Our school does not have a schoolyard. How can I participate?

You don't need to have a schoolyard to help protect wildlife from litter! Neighborhoods in your school community, local parks, and shorelines need your help. Wherever lands meets water should be litter. You can register a cleanup in such areas at <http://shorelinecleanup.ca>

Can I host a cleanup off school property during Schoolyard Cleanup month?

Absolutely! If you're organizing a cleanup off your school property, other rules may apply. Visit shorelinecleanup.ca for more information. But also register your cleanup as part of Schoolyard Cleanup month at schoolyardcleanup.wwf.ca

Our classroom/school has completed our Schoolyard Cleanup. How can we get a certificate of participation?

Once you've completed your Schoolyard Cleanup, you can return to your registration page and complete Part 2: Sharing Your Impact! where you can request for a certificate for your school

I'm a secondary student and have completed a cleanup. How can I get my volunteer form signed?

Please contact us at schools@wwfcanada.org to have this step completed.

How can I share pictures from our Schoolyard Cleanup?

You can share your story with us through:



facebook.com/shorelinecleanup/



[@cleanshorelines](https://twitter.com/cleanshorelines)



[@shorelinecleanup](https://www.instagram.com/shorelinecleanup)



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