

Competition Overview

The Green Team Challenge is a program designed to improve elementary schools and their campuses through cleanup activities and environmental awareness.

Target Areas

School campuses, classrooms, sidewalks, entrances, reception and delivery areas, fences, shrubbery and lawns, all or part of the school grounds (and up to 1,000 feet from the school into the surrounding area).

Litter Sources

Motorists, students, teachers, visitors, pedestrians, as well as commercial dumpsters.

Suggested Activities

Campus Cleanups, Campus Water/Energy Conservation Campaign, Campus Pollution Prevention Campaign, Recycling, Graffiti Removal, Poster and Trash Art Contests, Puppet shows, Plays, Poetry, Songs, Essays, Videos, Children's stories, and your ideas....

Project Duration

October 1 - 31, 2007

Participating schools are asked to work on and complete the required activities during this time.

Questions?

Keep San Antonio Beautiful
Ph. (210) 207-6460
Fax (210) 207-6401

Calendar

Deadline for Intent to Enter: Sept. 28, 2007
Projects Underway: October 1 - 31, 2007
Written Reports Due: October 31, 2007*
On Site Visits: November 7 - 16, 2007*
Finalists Notified: December, 2007
Winners Announced: January, 2008

*There will be an interim review of written reports to select the finalists for project visits. You will be notified if you are selected for an on-site visit.

Past Grand Champion Winners

Whittier Middle School, 1996

Krueger Middle School, 1997

Armstrong Elementary School, 1998

Five Palms Elementary School, 1999

Ridgeview Elementary School, 2000

Valley Hi Elementary School, 2001

Steubing Elementary School, 2002

Palo Alto Elementary School, 2003

Bonham Elementary School, 2004

Coker Elementary School, 2005

Raba Elementary School, 2006

*Grand Champion winners are not eligible to win a Grand Prize for two years after receiving the award.

If your school is interested in the competition, we need to hear from you!

Mail or Fax the reply form to:

Green Team Challenge

c/o Keep San Antonio Beautiful, Inc.
1940 Grandstand
San Antonio, TX 78238
210-207-6401

Green Team Challenge 2007

Real Estate Council of San Antonio



The Real Estate Council of San Antonio, Keep San Antonio Beautiful, San Antonio Water System and Milberger Landscaping and Nursery are pleased to invite your school to participate in **the 12th Annual Green Team Challenge**. The competition targets selected elementary schools and encourages students to improve their campus and surrounding neighborhood areas.

The competition provides an opportunity for students to participate in **a positive effort to benefit their community**.

What's Required?

First, each school is asked to participate in a *campus-wide cleanup activity*. This may include all or part of the school grounds and up to 1,000 feet from the school campus into the surrounding area.

Second, students are asked to participate in a *creative project* that shows how their school environment can be improved. This may be done through poster art, trash art, poetry, songs, plays, or other endeavors, which the school selects.

Third, each school is required to submit a *one page written report* highlighting your successful projects and include photos or other documentation you wish to share. **Written reports are due on October 31, 2007.**

How are we Judged?

Judges representing the Real Estate Council, Keep San Antonio Beautiful, San Antonio Water System, Milberger Nursery and participating sponsors will evaluate the school's projects on the following four primary criteria:

Participation: The percentage of students that get involved in the projects.

Effort: The total number of student and adult hours put into the projects.

Creativity: Characterized by imagination, originality, artistic skill, etc.

Maintenance Capability: It is imperative that the school demonstrates a willingness and capacity to maintain the landscape package that will be awarded.

Community Participation: The percentage of the community around the school that gets involved in the project.

PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

More than \$10,000.00 in landscape improvements and other prizes will be awarded in 2007.

Winners will include:

- ◆ Grand Champion School
- ◆ Two Runner-up Schools
- ◆ Finalist Schools
- ◆ Distinguished Participants

The Grand Champion School will receive a landscape package worth \$5,000 from MILBERGER Landscaping & Nurseries, a traveling trophy that will be handed down from the previous Grand Champion School, plus other great prizes. Each Green Team Finalist will be offered a complete water saving retrofit of any high-flow toilets in the school from the San Antonio Water System.

Please note: **The Grand Champion School must plan on installing its complete winning landscape package from late January to mid-February.** Planting during this time ensures that students, who participated in the Green Team program early in the school year, will have ample time to see the visible benefits of the landscape projects they earned for their school.

Special Thanks to our Sponsors:



All schools that submit applications are eligible to receive two trees, donated by City Public Service, which must be incorporated in their project.

GREEN TEAM COMPETITION REPLY FORM

Yes, our school wants to join the **GREEN TEAM CHALLENGE - 2007** and improve our campus between October 1st and 31st, 2007.

School _____

Sponsor or Principal _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____

Fax _____

E-Mail _____

To be eligible to participate in this year's competition, mail or fax your reply by September 29, 2007 to:

**Keep San Antonio Beautiful
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San Antonio, TX 78238
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