

Art Dept.

CONTEST TIME!

Green Up Day

SATURDAY

MAY 2

2026



Green Up Vermont

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Questions?

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GREEN UP DAY

POSTER ART
CONTEST

Express why Green Up Day is
SO important through art.

- Crayon, Paint or ... Your Choice!
- Open to all students PreK-12
- **Must include: GREEN UP DAY** title and relate to Vermont's litter clean-up
- Original free-hand work only
- Do NOT include brand names or logos
- **Square dimensions - IMPORTANT**
- Attach student info to each submission

Mail submissions by Feb. 1, 2026



TOP WINNER RECEIVES - \$150 cash, Green Up swag and fame as the art will grace the 2026 Green Up Day poster.



CATEGORY WINNERS - \$50 cash prize for each grade category: PreK-4; 5-8; & 9-12

Every piece of art is publicly displayed at Shaw's Grocery Stores across Vermont in April.

Green Up contests are an easy way to engage kids in their environmental surroundings and empower them to make a difference. Thank you!



Here is the info we need for EACH submissions.



School: _____

Town: _____

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Phone: _____

Teacher's Name _____

Email: _____

(Teachers, if confidentiality prevents you from entering student info please include your contact information.)

Music Dept.

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GREEN UP DAY JINGLE CONTEST

**Sing it solo or in a group.
With an instrument or a cappella.**

- **A short little diddy with a catchy tune**
- Write and record a :30 (or less) jingle with a Green Up message that inspires others to participate and keep earth clean
- Great for individuals, duets & small groups
- Tips - make voice louder than the music
- Open to all students PreK-12

**Email YouTube link or .mov file by April 1
to greenup@greenupvermont.org**



WINNING JINGLE RECEIVES - \$150 cash, Green Up swag and a meet up with professional radio DJ partners. The winning jingle will also be aired on the Green Up social channels and website and maybe used in our advertising.

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AV Club/Theater



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VIDEO

CONTEST

Team up for an informative video & technically amazing experience.

- Commercial, instructional video, story...
- Show us why Green Up is crucial for our future
- Get creative with writing, acting, filming, and editing a :30 to :60 second piece
- Great for AV clubs, teams, & classrooms
- Tips - good lighting and speaking clearly
- Open to all students PreK-12

Email YouTube link or .mov file by April 1 to greenup@greenupvermont.org



WINNING VIDEO RECEIVES - \$150 cash, Green Up swag and a very special tour of



the WCAX studios to see how the pros "do" the news.

The winning video will also be shown on the Green Up social channels and website.

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All Classes

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WRITING CONTEST

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Words can inspire, activate and empower others.

- Persuasive essay, creative poem, engaging speech...
• Share why Green Up is crucial for our climate or how everyone can join in
• Great for all students who love to write and want to inspire with their words
• Open to all students PreK-12
• Opportunity to read the piece at the Green Up Day kick off press conference if desired.

Mail or email Word docs by April 1 to greenup@greenupvermont.org



WINNING PIECE RECEIVES - \$150 cash, Green Up swag and will be highlighted on the Green Up website and app to inspire others to participate in 2026 (& year round).

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Coaches & Clubs

GREEN UP DAY



TEAM BUILDING

COMMUNITY
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Doing Good is part of Being Great!

Team & Club Challenge

Many businesses and pro teams participate in team-building experiences to create stronger bonds and more cohesive teamwork. Green Up can be that and more for your team or club. Working together becomes very prideful and rewarding for everyone.

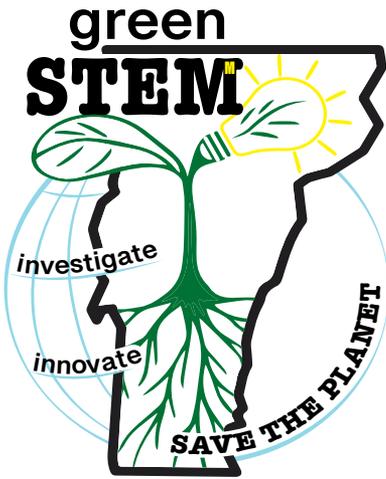
- Competitive? Challenge another sport or club in your school or a neighboring town for some friendly “trash” talk, clean up initiatives.
- Instead of just running warm-up laps take a run around school grounds and stretch by bending to pick up any litter found. Keep track of your collection amounts (bags per day or week) and share with Green Up for a special shout out.
- Interested in a big team project? Green Up will set you up with a project area, supply what you need and will share your amazing efforts through press, social media and the VPA.

Clean up efforts can be scheduled prior to Green Up Day and any time of the year. Email for information.



U32 Football Team helping with a flood recovery project in Waterbury - 2023.

NEW! NEW! NEW! NEW! NEW! NEW!



Remember that kid - Milo Cress?

The 9 year-old **from Essex, VT** that started the "Be Straw Free" campaign, who may have influenced your use of plastic straws.

Or Greta Thunberg, who at age 15 attracted global attention for climate activism.

Join Green Up Vermont for an event that is science fair meets innovation challenge with an environmental focus, creative encouragement and outcomes that could have a real impact for our planet.

- Green STEM invites **Vermont students in grades 7-12** to investigate topics that have impact on our environment and challenge teams to bring innovative ideas and solutions forward. We can provide a **list of prompt ideas** if you need a little inspiration.
- **Green Up Vermont will give each team \$100** to assist with incidentals and supplies for their focus project and to help with transportation to the event. Limit of 5 entries per school.
- Green Up Vermont will try to pair each team with a **corporate subject matter expert as a mentor guide** if the team desires.
- Each team will **need an advisor** who can assist with onsite needs.
- Each participant will receive a **green STEM t-shirt**.
- There will be **cash prizes for the top three winners** which will be chosen at a culminating event which will happen in May, (location, date & time TBD).
Third Place = \$250 Second Place = \$500 First Place - \$1,000
- Plaques will also be awarded to the schools of the top three winners for support of their students. There will also be publicity around the event and work being done.
- **Project sign up due by March 30, 2026 - Completed for event in May**
- **Requirements of Project include** live presentation display at event, video of presentation, report with evidence support. Projects judged on uniqueness of topic, presentation, evidence & source documentation, and projected outcomes.

SCIENCE

TECH

ENGINEERING

MATH

MARKETING

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for more details, prompt list and to sign up. greenupvermont.org