



## 2008 America Recycles Day



### Poetry and T-Shirt Design Project

### Greetings Teachers!

It's time for the 3<sup>rd</sup> America Recycles Day Poetry and T-Shirt Design Contest! Last year's project was a great success with almost 2,000 students participating! We hope to receive even more entries this year.

All project packets will be mailed out (via school mail) in the next 3 weeks. All copies will be double-sided in an effort to conserve resources. Please remember to recycle the documents after the project has ended!

#### **Project Awards:**

**Elementary** (Grades 3 – 5)  
Art & Poetry – 6 awards (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> X2)

**Middle** (Grades 6 – 8)  
Art & Poetry – 6 awards (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> X2)

**1<sup>st</sup> Places (X4) The winning design and poem in each category will be featured on the T-shirt (front and back)**  
Winning student and teacher will receive 5 T-shirts each.

First, second and third place winners in each category, for the poetry and recycling components of the project, will receive:

- Framed copy of their poem/design

- Prize packages including tickets to local attractions such as the Florida Aquarium, Tampa Museum of Art, Busch Gardens, MOSI and the movies.

**Each school may submit 8 poems and/or pieces of artwork** but be sure to indicate on the entry form how many students participated total so that we can send you pre-printed Certificates of Participation to be filled out for students who participated, but whose poems/artwork were not submitted for judging – that way every student who participates receives recognition **(100 Certificates of Participation maximum per category, per school)**. Honorable Mention Certificates will be printed for all students whose artwork or poetry was submitted for judging.

- **The Language Arts / Art / Science Departments of the four first place winners will receive \$100 each.**

Winning poems and artwork will be posted on the City of Tampa Solid Waste Department's Web site and may be used in future Department publications.

If you would like to view last year's winning artwork and poetry, visit our Web site at [TampaGov.net/solidwaste](http://TampaGov.net/solidwaste) and click on the In-School Education link.

If you have any questions or need more information about waste reduction and recycling in general, please contact me via email at [Nina.Stokes@TampaGov.net](mailto:Nina.Stokes@TampaGov.net), or by phone, (813) 348-6515. Thank you for your support.

**Thank you for doing your part to help conserve and protect our precious resources! Remember to Recycle!**

**Deadline for submission of artwork and poetry:  
November 15<sup>th</sup>— AMERICA RECYCLES DAY!**