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City Students Recycle Phone Books to Help the Environment and Earn Money for their School

Annual Recycling Contest Takes Place through March

The City of Sacramento Department of Utilities kicks-off its annual Phone Book Recycling Contest on March 3, 2008. The Contest features a recycling competition amongst local elementary schools in the Sacramento City Unified School District and North Sacramento School District. Students, parents, friends and neighbors are encouraged to bring their phone books to their elementary school for recycling. Participating schools will be awarded a cash prize for the books they collect through funding from the Allied Waste and the Sacramento Recycling and Transfer Station. The school that collects the most books will receive a recognition party and participate in a tree planting sponsored by AT&T Real YellowPages and the Sacramento Tree Foundation to celebrate their recycling efforts.

“Each year, local phone companies deliver new phone books to over 130,000 residences in Sacramento,” said Edison Hicks, Integrated Waste General Manager for the City of Sacramento Department of Utilities Solid Waste Services. “We think this competition is a win-win for everyone. Residents are able to recycle their old books and benefit their neighborhood schools while helping to keep waste from the landfill.”

This year, twenty-one local schools have signed up to participate in the Annual Phone Book Recycling Competition. Last year, sixteen schools collected and recycled over 45,000 books. Recycled phone books can be used to make several new products including recycled paper, lumber, insulation, egg cartons, mulch and other supplies. Additionally, each ton of recycled paper saves 3 yards of landfill space, 4,000-kilowatt hours of energy and 7,000 gallons of water.

The Annual Phone Book Recycling Contest ends on April 4, 2008. For more information about recycling, please visit www.cityofsacramento.org/utilities or call (916) 808-5454. A current list of participating schools is attached.

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**List of Schools Participating in the Annual Phone Book Recycling Competition
(as of March 3, 2008)**

Abraham Lincoln Elementary	3324 Glenmoore Dr	Sacramento	CA	95827
Bancroft Elementary	2929 Belmar St	Sacramento	CA	95819
Camilia Basic	6600 Cougar Dr	Sacramento	CA	95828
Caroline Wenzel	6870 Greenhaven Dr	Sacramento	CA	95831
David Lubin Elementary	3535 M St	Sacramento	CA	95816
Earl Warren Elementary	5420 Lowell St	Sacramento	CA	95820
Ethel Baker Elementary	5717 Laurine Way	Sacramento	CA	95824
Ethel Phillips Elementary	2930 21 Ave	Sacramento	CA	95820
Golden Empire Elementary	9045 Canberra Dr	Sacramento	CA	95826
Hazel Strauch	3141 Northstead	Sacramento	CA	95833
Hollywood Park Elementary	4915 Harte Way	Sacramento	CA	95822
John Cabrillo Elementary	1141 Seamas Ave	Sacramento	CA	95822
	7525 Candlewood			
John Sloat Elementary	Way	Sacramento	CA	95822
Leonardo da Vinci, K-8	4701 Joaquin Way	Sacramento	CA	95822
Martin Luther King Jr. K-8	480 Little River Way	Sacramento	CA	95831
Nicholas Elementary	6601 Steiner Dr	Sacramento	CA	95823
Pacific Elementary	6201 41st St	Sacramento	CA	95824
Smythe Academy of Arts and Sciences	2781 Northgate Blvd	Sacramento	CA	95823
Sutterville Elementary	4967 Monterrey Way	Sacramento	CA	95822
Theodore Judah Elementary	3919 McKinley Blvd	Sacramento	CA	95819
Woodbine Elementary	2500 - 52nd Avenue	Sacramento	CA	95822



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