Litter Free School Zone Agreement

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Return Form to: Operation Brightside, Inc., 4601 State Avenue, Kansas City, Ks. 66102 Phone: 913-573-8735 Fax: 913-573-8714 email: ksuther@wycokck.org

Litter Free School Zone Monthly Report Form

Name of School:			
Address:			
Contact Person at School:			
Telephone:Email:			
Report for Month of:			
Date report submitted:			
1.	How many cleanups were done during this month?		
2.	How many bags of litter were collected?		
3.	How many participated in cleanups?		
	# of students # of teachers # of other, please identify		
4.	Use of any educational materials on littering?		
5.	Did you promote any events at your school as litter-free events during this month?		
6.	Any other observations or suggestions?		
	Report to: Operation Brightside Inc., 4601 State Avenue, Kansas City, Ks. Fax to 913-573-8714 or email to ksuther@wycokck.org .		

Litter Free School Zone! Pick Up a New Attitude and Don't Litter!

What are sources of Littering Attitudes?

The careless and casual handling of waste creates litter. Litter is blown by wind and traffic and carried by water. Once litter has accumulated, it invites people to add more. Keep America Beautiful Inc. research has identified three attitudes that allow people to feel that it is acceptable to litter:

- 1. They feel no sense of ownership of the property.
- 2. They expect someone else will clean up after them.
- 3. They believe it is acceptable to litter where trash has already accumulated.

What are Major Sources of Littering?

Keep America Beautiful research has identified seven primary sources of litter. Number 1 and 2 below identify litter from motorists and pedestrians that are "deliberate" acts of litter. Number 3 thru 7 below are considered "passive" forms of littering which account for 40% of litter:

- 1. Motorists. (debris thrown out of car windows or left on the side of the road)
- 2. Pedestrians. (Individual littering of packaging, beverage containers, cigarette butts, etc.)
- 3. Household trash at the curbside (*leaving lids off trash cans*; *overflowing trash* cans; unbundled or covered paper that blows, etc.)
- 4. Dumpsters used by businesses (overflowing dumpsters or uncovered trash that invites blowing and spreading)
- 5. Loading docks (high truck traffic contributes to litter)
- 6. Construction and demolition sites (debris in and around sites and blown by wind or carried by rain)
- 7. Trucks with uncovered loads (trash falling or blowing off moving and stationary vehicles)

Where do pedestrian and motorist litter most?

- 1. <u>Special Event Venues</u> such as fairs, concerts, soccer games or other events that attract a large number of people.
- 2. <u>Roadways and Highways</u> such as road sides, on/off ramps, median strips, and rest stops.
- 3. <u>High Traffic Areas</u> such as fast food businesses, convenience stores, picnic or playgrounds, stadium bleachers, and other areas with a lot of foot traffic.
- 4. <u>Transition Points</u> such as places where someone stops eating, drinking or smoking before proceeding, such as entrances to buildings, train platforms, and bus stops.

Go to A Web-Based In-Class Activity on Litter.

www.cleansweepusa.org/educators/PickUpANewAttitude.pdf

(Source: Keep America Beautiful Inc.)