

Turn the Key, Be Idle Free

A great deal of idling takes place at schools, where buses and cars line up to drop off and pick up children, and the children end up breathing the exhaust. Stopping unnecessary vehicle idling is one relatively easy way to contribute to improved air quality and respiratory health in our communities.

The Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC) and the Regional Air Pollution Control Agency (RAPCA) are starting an Idle Reduction Campaign to help clean our air, protect children's health and help save drivers money. Participation is free. "Idle Free" Signs and literature will be available.

If you would like more information about making your school and Idle Free Zone, please fill out the information below and return to MVRPC.

Did You Know?

- ◆ Asthma is the third leading cause of hospitalization among children under the age of 15
- ◆ Children breathe 50 percent more air per pound than adults.
- ◆ Asthma is the most common chronic illness in children and the cause of most school absences.
- ◆ Children's asthma symptoms increase as a result of vehicle exhaust
- ◆ Drivers who shut off their engines, rather than idling for 30 seconds, benefit from both fuel savings and improved air quality.

It all adds up to cleaner air



Please notify me when more information about the program is available

Name: _____

Title: _____

School: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

My school currently has a School Bus Idling Policy: Yes No Don't Know