

Recycling:

- o Take part in a community service project to collect aluminum cans, bottles or papers for recycling.
- o Visit a recycling center to get a better idea of how the process works.
- o Collect clothing for donation to local charities.
- o Hold a competition between grade levels to see which grade collects the highest volume of cans or paper.
- o Collect stuffed animals and groom them and add new ribbons to donate to charity.
- o Hold a book drive and trade or sell used books.
- o Set up a composting site for yard debris and compostable food from lunches.
- o Collect cans to purchase materials for landscaping the school grounds. Hold a Beautification Saturday involving parents, teachers and youth.

Beautification:

- o Plant a tree or garden at your home, church, school or meeting site.
- o Survey trees in the community to determine the most common species and research options to increase tree diversity or promote planting of a specific tree.
- o Organize a plant sale using plants from family and members yards.
- o Help an elderly or disabled person clean their yard or add flowers to the yard.
- o Examine a large tree stump. Look for the annual growth rings and estimate the age of the tree by counting the rings. Find out what causes a tree to grow faster one year than it does another.
- o Develop an outdoor learning area or landscaping plan for the school or youth activity site.
- o Adopt a tree and learn as much as you can about it.

KEEP TEXAS BEAUTIFUL PATCH PROGRAM



**Order your Keep Texas Beautiful
Youth Patches Today!**

| Patch <input type="checkbox"/> | Quantity <input type="checkbox"/> | Unit Cost 1-49 | Unit Cost 50-499 <input type="checkbox"/> | Unit Cost 500-1000 | Total |
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| Keep Texas Beautiful <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$1.00 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.95 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.90 | |
| I Can Dig It <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.90 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.85 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.80 | |
| Keep Texas Beautiful <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.75 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.70 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.65 | |
| Texas Recycles Day <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.75 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.70 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.65 | |
| Don't Mess with Texas <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.75 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.70 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.65 <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Trash-Off <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | |
| Great American Cleanup <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.75 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.70 <input type="checkbox"/> | \$0.65 | |

Texas Waterway Cleanup patches are free to registrants. See www.ktb.org.

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| Please add the following shipping charges: | | | | Subtotal | \$ |
| Order Subtotal | \$0.01-\$24.99 | \$25-\$49.99 | \$50-\$99.99 | Tax (8.25%) | \$ |
| Add Shipping | \$5.00 | \$7.50 | \$10.00 | Shipping | \$ |
| | | | | Total | \$ |

The Keep Texas Beautiful patch program is designed to encourage youth participation in KTB activities and events. Patches may be earned by Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire youth, Youth Environmental Stewards (YES) members, or other youth group members. Keep Texas Beautiful offers seven patches that may be earned by participating in general environmental projects and/or specific activities and events.

Name

Address _____

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Who Keeps Texas Beautiful?

You Do

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KTB PATCHES



The **Keep Texas Beautiful** patch is earned by participation in any community improvement, environment or cleanup activity. Youth may participate in an affiliate sponsored activity or event or conduct their own activity or event.



Great American Cleanup patches may be earned by completing any cleanup or fix up project completed between March 1 and May 31.



Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off or **Texas Recycles Day**, patches are earned by participation in the respective cleanup. The Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off is generally the first Saturday in April. Texas Recycles Day is November 15.



I Can Dig It patches are earned by doing a project that involves digging in the dirt and/or planting. This may include tree or flower planting, maintaining an existing garden or creating a new landscape area, or preventing erosion.



IDEAS TO EARN PATCHES

General Environmental Projects:

- o Make a booklet with drawings showing ways you can help keep Texas beautiful.
- o Make announcements over the school PA system about litter prevention, beautification, and waste handling.
- o Organize an annual EnviroCamp. Conduct a summer or Spring Break education day.
- o Host an After-school Snack for school principals and administrators to discuss environmental topics.
- o Create a puppet show using stuffed animals. Create a script including props or use the Mother Nature skit available from Keep Texas Beautiful.
- o Sponsor a competition to create a slogan and/or to reflect a proud and positive image for the community.
- o Organize or take part in a trail-building project in your community.
- o Find an eroded site where you can keep the soil in place. Plan and carry out an improvement project. Watch carefully to see the results of your project.
- o Find out how waste water from your home and community is treated. If cesspools and septic tanks are used, find out how they work and what you can do to make them more efficient. If a waste water treatment plant serves your area, arrange a visit to find out how it operates and what you can do to help make cleaner water.
- o Conduct an essay or poetry contest and invite people in your community to submit entries expressing their feelings about environmental quality in the community. Set rules and deadlines for entries and criteria for selecting winners. Publicize your contest and plan ways to use entries effectively to increase public sensitivity to environmental concerns.
- o Conduct poster contests on litter prevention and beautification related topics or ask 5th grade students to participate in the Texas Arbor Day poster contest.
- o Have students make litterbags, bookmarks, or bulletin boards with environmental messages.
- o Encourage creation of song, raps or sign language messages of waste reduction and litter prevention.
- o Use Waste in Place hands-on activities on solid waste and litter issues to educate members of your group.

Litter Prevention/Cleanup:

- o Conduct a pick-up-litter day around your school or meeting place.
- o Establish Adopt-a-Spots on campus and assign different campuses to adopt an area.
- o Organize a community or campus cleanup campaign. Help prevent littering by being able to tell some other ways to prevent litter. Identify sources of litter and identify ways to stop the litter.
- o Conduct a survey of campus receptacles. Hold a Litter Barrel Painting contest.
- o Create antilitter placemats for use at public events or banquets.
- o Sponsor an annual Clean Campus Luncheon. Share information on litter prevention.
- o Find out what happens to the trash that leaves your home. Visit the landfill to understand how trash is handled. Ask the waste hauler to present information.
- o Conduct an art show. Make a display of mobiles, collages, or sculptures from pieces of litter. Ask students to describe the items and where the litter was generated.
- o Hold a game event like jeopardy to help educate others about water pollution, floatables and water related litter.

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