



The Kids' Conservation Organization

### **Battery Blitz School Mission Challenge Details**

Your Battery Blitz Mission will begin **Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**, to kick off Waste Reduction Week. In preparation for the Mission please see below for battery collection instructions and challenge rules.

#### **Mission Materials:**

- Battery collection boxes for the challenge will be shipped to your school prior to October 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - You will receive:
    - 20 collection boxes in total - 10 large battery collection boxes and 10 slightly smaller boxes inside to start – you can distribute boxes to classes or have a central drop location in the school, whichever works best for you.

#### **Important Information to share:**

##### **1. Battery Collection:**

- **The collection period is 3 weeks with collection ending on Monday November 8<sup>th</sup> at 5pm PST** – Encourage staff, students and school community, including family and friends, to collect as many used batteries as possible! It is recommended that collection take place during the first two weeks and shipment of boxes takes place in the third week
- When used batteries come into the school they should be placed in the Call2Recycle collection boxes provided
- Only batteries in Call2Recycle collection boxes will be accepted and eligible for this Battery Blitz School Mission Challenge
- In addition to common single use batteries, any battery less than 5kg can be brought in to be recycled (with the exception of wet-cell and car batteries). This includes batteries found in:
  - power tools, digital and video cameras,
  - cell phones and cordless phones, and
  - watches
- The following batteries are not required to be bagged or have terminal ends taped:
  - Rechargeable Batteries - Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd), Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH), Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn)
  - Primary Batteries - Alkaline (under 12v), Carbon Zinc
- **BUT** when in doubt of the battery type, Call2Recycle® recommends the battery be individually bagged or taped
- Dented or powdery batteries should not be brought to school for the challenge.

##### **2. Ordering more boxes:**

- **To order more boxes or for any battery collection questions or inquiries please contact Brenda Reid, Call2Recycle at: [breid@call2recycle.ca](mailto:breid@call2recycle.ca) and include your school name in**

**the email.** If you anticipate needing to order more collection boxes, please order as soon as you can (within first week if possible) as it takes approximately 5 business days for them to arrive at your school.

3. Social Media Engagement:

- We want to hear about your progress so please keep us in the loop throughout the process by either emailing [avyse@earthrangers.com](mailto:avyse@earthrangers.com) photos of classes and students participating throughout the challenge that you are comfortable with us sharing with Call2Recycle and using on social media or; Please engage with Earth Rangers and Call2Recycle on social media for the purpose of promoting your progress.
  - Facebook: @bringbackthewild
  - Instagram: @Earth\_Rangers
  - Twitter: @EarthRangers and @Call2RecycleCA
- For help with social media post you can access sample text and graphics on the resource page.

4. Prizing and virtual cheque presentation:

- The top 3 schools in British Columbia with the highest weight of batteries will win cash prizes: (\$3000 for 1<sup>st</sup>, \$2000 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and \$1000 for 3<sup>rd</sup>) and all participating schools will be entered into a draw to win an Earth Rangers Virtual School Assembly
- There will be a virtual cheque presentation following the challenge –may include members of Earth Rangers, Call2Recycle, etc. More information to come
- For Battery Blitz collection guidelines and challenge rules, please visit resource page.

5. When your boxes are full/ready to ship:

- Remove adhesive strips and seal the box. Use clear packing tape to seal the box in a ‘tic-tac-toe’ pattern all the way around the box
- Boxes can be shipped individually once full, or all together
- Please call Purolator (1-888-SHIP-123) by the end of the three week period for pick up of the collection boxes. **Your pick up should be scheduled by November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
- If your school already has a Purolator account, you can include these boxes with your regular pick up. To avoid any charges to your account please do not schedule pick up online. All shipping is pre-paid by Call2Recycle and boxes come with pre-paid return shipping labels attached
- Any unused Call2Recycle collection boxes should be properly recycled.

Results will be shared following the completion of the challenge. Thanks and good luck!

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