

Air and Idle-free Links

[Alberta Airsheds](#)

Airsheds are groups of stakeholders who see the benefit of sitting down together at the same table and working through issues to produce relevant, credible information that can be used to manage air quality, protect environmental health, and influence public policy. Their intent is to establish and run an air monitoring system for their area. This site links to the following airshed stations: [Wood Buffalo Environmental Association](#); [West Central Airshed Society](#); [Fort Air Partnership](#); [Parkland Airshed Management Zone](#); [Palliser Airshed Society](#); [Peace Airshed Zone Association](#); [Lakeland Industry and Community Association](#); [Calgary Regional Airshed Zone](#); and [Alberta Capital Airshed Alliance](#).

Airsheds in Alberta are recognized by the [Clean Air Strategic Alliance](#), which is a multi-stakeholder partnership, composed of representatives selected by industry, government and non-government organizations, which recommends strategies to assess and improve air quality in Alberta.

[Air Aware](#)

Air Aware is a national program of Clean Air Champions that encourages all Canadians to adopt active, healthy lifestyles while also reducing our environmental footprint. On this site you can register for your own Air Aware Diary and participate in a wide range of Air Aware actions and activities including Acts of Green, Calorie Counter and fun games. You can also learn about the Government of Canada's online health protection tool, the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI).

[Getting Active for Cleaner Air](#)

This education program, sponsored by Health Canada, is targeted at the 10-13 year age group but can be adapted for a wide range of ages. It offers educators and participants simple, fun, physical activity based games focused on themes of air pollution and health.

Earth Day Network's [No Idling Campaign](#), in partnership with the Clean Air Campaign, Inc., aims to reduce harmful vehicle emissions around children and instill environmental values in the next generation through a targeted focus on reducing vehicle idling at K-12 schools across the country. Entire school communities are motivated to be a part of the solution through action-oriented projects and classroom lessons.

[BC Air Quality](#)

This particular link is full of other links of interest to youth and teachers. For example, A Teacher's Guide to Clean Air for grade 5;

[Idle-free Zone for Communities and Government](#)

This is Canada's first Web site dedicated to helping communities and environmental groups stop engine idling in an effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Hosted by Natural Resources Canada.

[Welcome to the Idle-Free Zone](#)

Natural Resources Canada has developed ready-to-use graphic materials, articles, tools and templates that can help you organize a public education campaign at your workplace or develop a larger-scale awareness and outreach campaign in your community. This is another way to celebrate Environment Week is by starting an idle-free campaign in your community.