



# No MOORE Trash!

2023 Trash Can Decorating  
**Contest Entries**

# Category: Grades K-2

**Total Entries: 4**



**School:** Carl Junction K-1

**Location:** Carl Junction

**Category:** K-2

**Project Title:** MO Beautiful Less Trash

**Project Description:**

For our trash can we used as many recycled labels, styrofoam cups, soda boxes and our finger prints to make the beautiful landscape of Missouri with our slogan saying MO Beautiful Less Trash. We are working really hard to keeping our state beautiful by picking up trash. We have placed our trash can at the front of our building for a reminder to help keep Missouri free of trash





**School:** Carl Junction Primary 2-3

**Location:** Carl Junction

**Category:** K-2

**Project Title:** Don't let litter get out of hand

**Project Description:**

We will have an octopus on most of the trash can and in each tentacle it will be holding a piece of trash. One of the tentacles will be holding the "No MOre trash" sign.





**School:** Centerville R-1  
Elementary

**Location:** Centerville

**Category:** K-2

**Project Title:** The World

**Project Description:**

This trash can has the different continents along with the sun and the moon. The continents also show us living on it.





**School:** Hannah Cole  
Primary School

**Location:** Boonville

**Category:** K-2

**Project Title:** One Man's  
Trash, Another Child's  
Treasure

**Project Description:**  
Students kindergarten through second grade have heard the "one man's trash" saying in our classroom all year long. So when it came time to pick a theme for our can, they immediately thought of using the recyclables in our room! Students brainstormed on how to cover the can, and wanted gold to be the worthy "treasure" part of our project. As they began working on creating things in nature, their feelings about "treasure" changed to the new objects made from trash. Coffee cups, filters, grocery bags, boxes, and paper tubes-- all transformed into living things that adorn 360 degrees of our trash can. Not only did students learn about tremendous possibilities when reusing trash, they were also able to study native plants in our area (and the value they hold).





# Category: Grades 3-5

**Total Entries: 8**

**School:** Belleview Elementary School

**Location:** Belleview

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** Send Trash Up, Up and Away!

**Project Description:**

The 3-5 grade classes worked together on this and came up with a hot air balloon theme for the trash can. They had a lot of fun doing it.





**School:** Carl Junction Intermediate

**Location:** Carl Junction

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** You Must-le Recycle

**Project Description:**

The class winning design is a take off of the teacher's love of a healthy lifestyle and love of lifting weights. The designer took the idea and transformed it into a healthy aspect of recycling.





**School:** Centerville R-1  
Elementary

**Location:** Centerville

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** Green  
Monster

**Project Description:**  
The Green Monster  
wants to be fed all the  
trash because he loves it.





**School:** David Barton Elementary

**Location:** Boonville

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** Conserve What You Love

**Project Description:**

5th graders ran with the idea of using old Missouri Conservation magazines as inspiration for their trash can. As they flipped through the pages, students loved pointing out animals and places they had been to. Conversations about hunting trips, family vacations, and grandma's garden flowed as students collaged and painted scenes all over their project. This theme not only inspired memories but also an appreciation for the state they live in. 5th graders realized the best way to "conserve what they love" is to keep Missouri clean and as trash-free as they can!





**School:** Holy Family

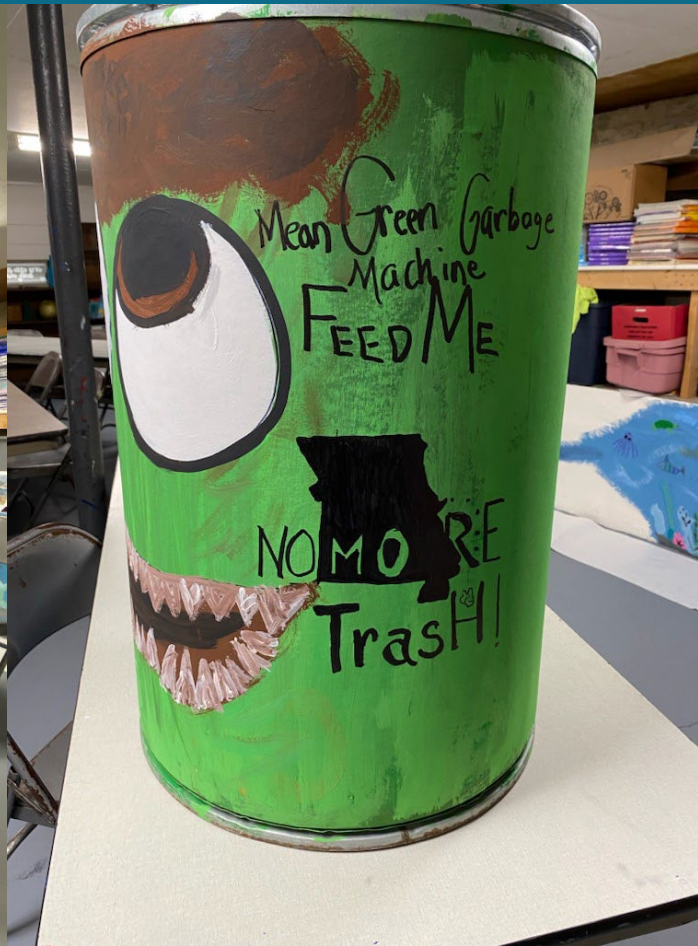
**Location:** Freeburg

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** Mean Green Garbage Eating Machine

**Project Description:**

We are mean and ugly and fierce to destroy all the garbage thrown out from junky trash throwing individuals that lack a pride to keep the highways decent and clean. We are ready to fight back.





**School:** Kingdom Christian Academy

**Location:** Fulton

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** Gotta Catch MO Trash

**Project Description:**

The 4th grade's trash can is a Pikachu from the anime series Pokémon. The ears, mouth, hands, feet, eyes, nose, cheeks, tail and Pokéball were all made out of trash or recycled items brought in by their parents. The students cut, glued and painted all items of this project. The catch phrase of the series is "Gotta catch 'em all!" The students came up with the "Gotta Catch MO Trash" to play off the already "No MOre Trash." The trash can will be used as the school's new soda can recycling bin, and is located in the lunchroom for all to see and talk about.





**School:** Sorrento Springs Elementary

**Location:** Ballwin

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** Trashed Universe

**Project Description:**

Our trash can is used to represent our solar system, however all of these beautiful constellations and blue swirled skies are to be no more than filled with trash. We need to recycle more and waste less so we could have a better solar system, and not let our solar system alongside our environment fall into ancient ruin. As caretakers of the environment all 8 billion humans on this beautiful earth need to work together to provide a brighter, cleaner, and healthier future for future generations. I ask that everyday people start to go green and save the environment. With your help we can save our universe in which we call home. Do not let our trash can design become a reality

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**School:** Twin Chimneys Elementary

**Location:** O'Fallon

**Category:** 3-5

**Project Title:** "No MOre Trash!" Slam Dunk the Junk

**Project Description:**

Our Media Production Club, made up of fourth and fifth graders, decided on the slogan, "Slam Dunk the Junk" (a great March theme!) and had so much fun designing and decorating the trash can. Our club took pictures right outside of our doors at school and then left our trash can in the cafeteria so that everyone in the school could see what we did! Thanks for creating the project!





# Category: Grades 6-8

**Total Entries: 9**



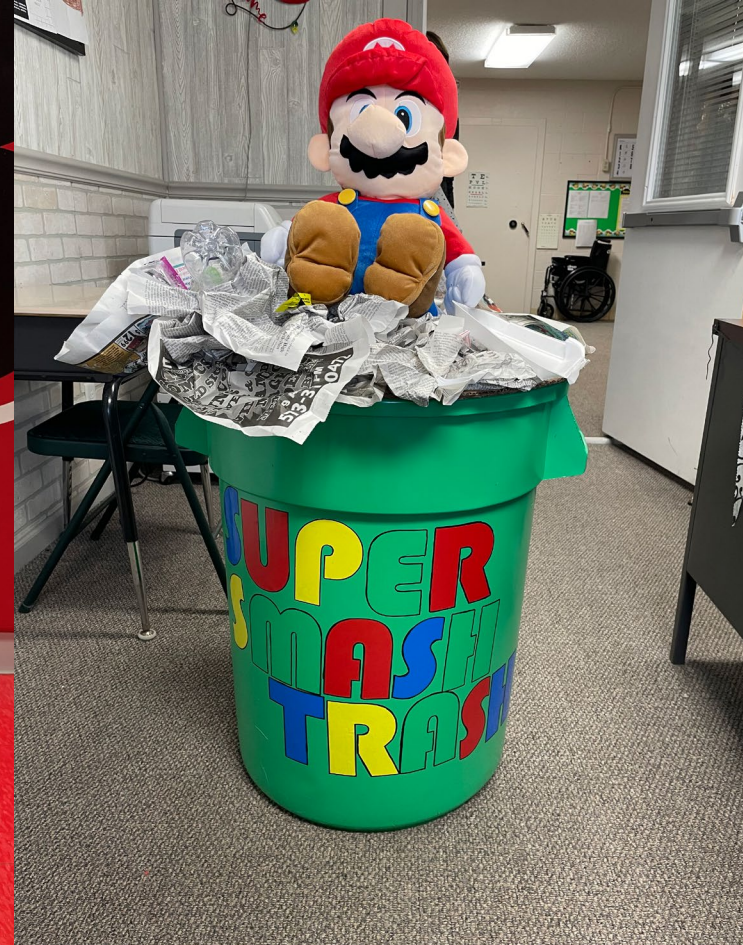
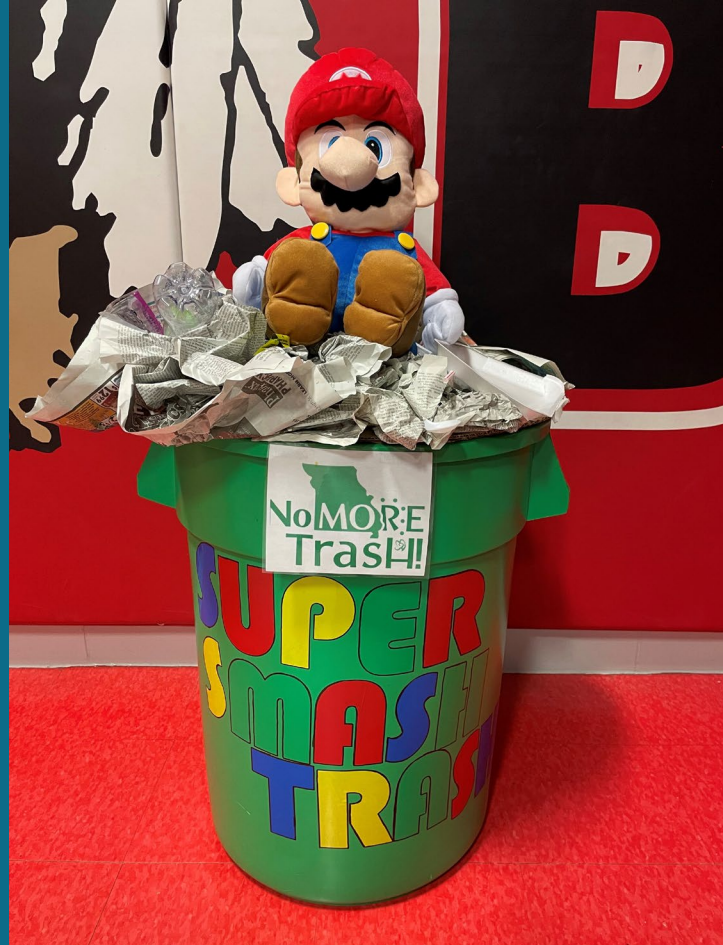
**School:** Belleview R-3  
School District

**Location:** Belleview

**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:**  
Smash That Trash

**Project Description:**  
The 8th grade students from Belleview R-3 School District would like to spread the word of no more trash. Instead of littering our gorgeous planet with trash, let's come together and "Super Smash Trash" into our trash cans!





**School:** Centerville R-1 Elementary

**Location:** Centerville

**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:** Don't Be a Polluter!

**Project Description:**  
Hands dropping trash on the Earth, but telling people not to pollute and No More Trash!





**School:** Cowgill Elementary

**Location:** Cowgill

**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:** Please Don't Litter, So Our Oceans Can Glitter

**Project Description:**

Students decided to create a display that incorporated our school's art show theme of "Glow Art". Students used the extra cardboard from our Math Carnival to create a backdrop, which they painted with black light paint. Students discussed a theme for the display and quickly decided on an underwater theme. We began brainstorming ideas with the word "glow". Students then thought of synonyms for glow, which included "glitter". That's when they knew they were on to something because "glitter" rhymes with "litter". They created this underwater scene with the extra cardboard, glow paint, and left over tissue paper from Valentine's Day. We then had to borrow a trash can from another teacher, because the one we ordered got lost in the mail! However, with all of the hiccups, the students created this awesome display to encourage all people to not litter so our environments can stay happy and healthy!





**School:** Festus Middle School

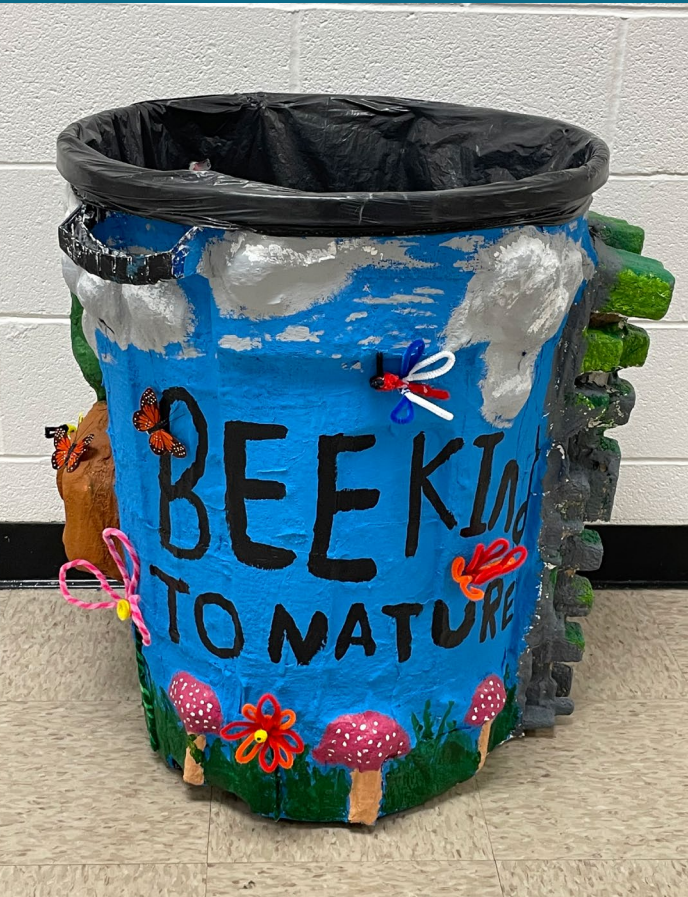
**Location:** Festus

**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:** BEE Kind to Nature

**Project Description:**

Students brainstormed ideas for their anti-litter trashcan and discovered they shared a theme of nature. The group designed and built their project using recyclables and newspapers as forms. They covered their forms with plaster gauze and painted it. Together they built small critters out of pipe-cleaners and added birds and bees to their hive. They really hope their efforts grab the attention of their peers, hoping they will BEE kind to nature and NOT litter!





**School:** Holy Family

**Location:** Freeburg

**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:** Barrel Bob to the Rescue

**Project Description:**

We felt since Barrel Bob promotes highway safety, he may want to help to see the highway and other areas clean so we are seeking his advice and help to aid our rescue for NO MORE Trash as well.





**School:** La Monte High School

**Location:** La Monte

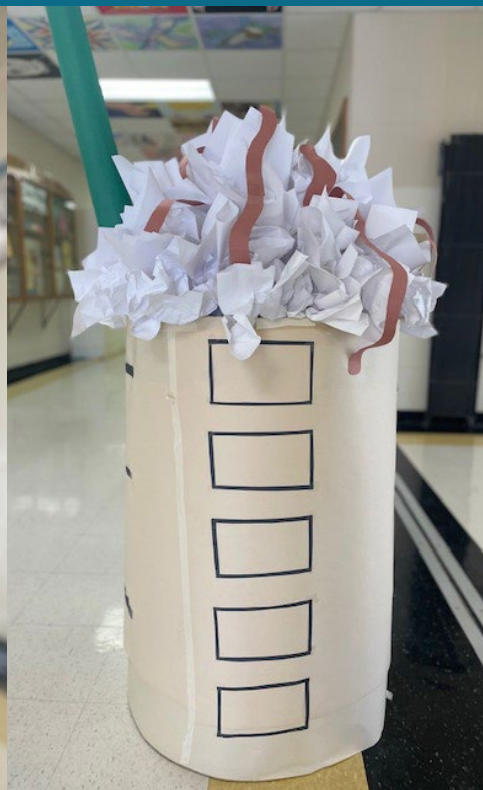
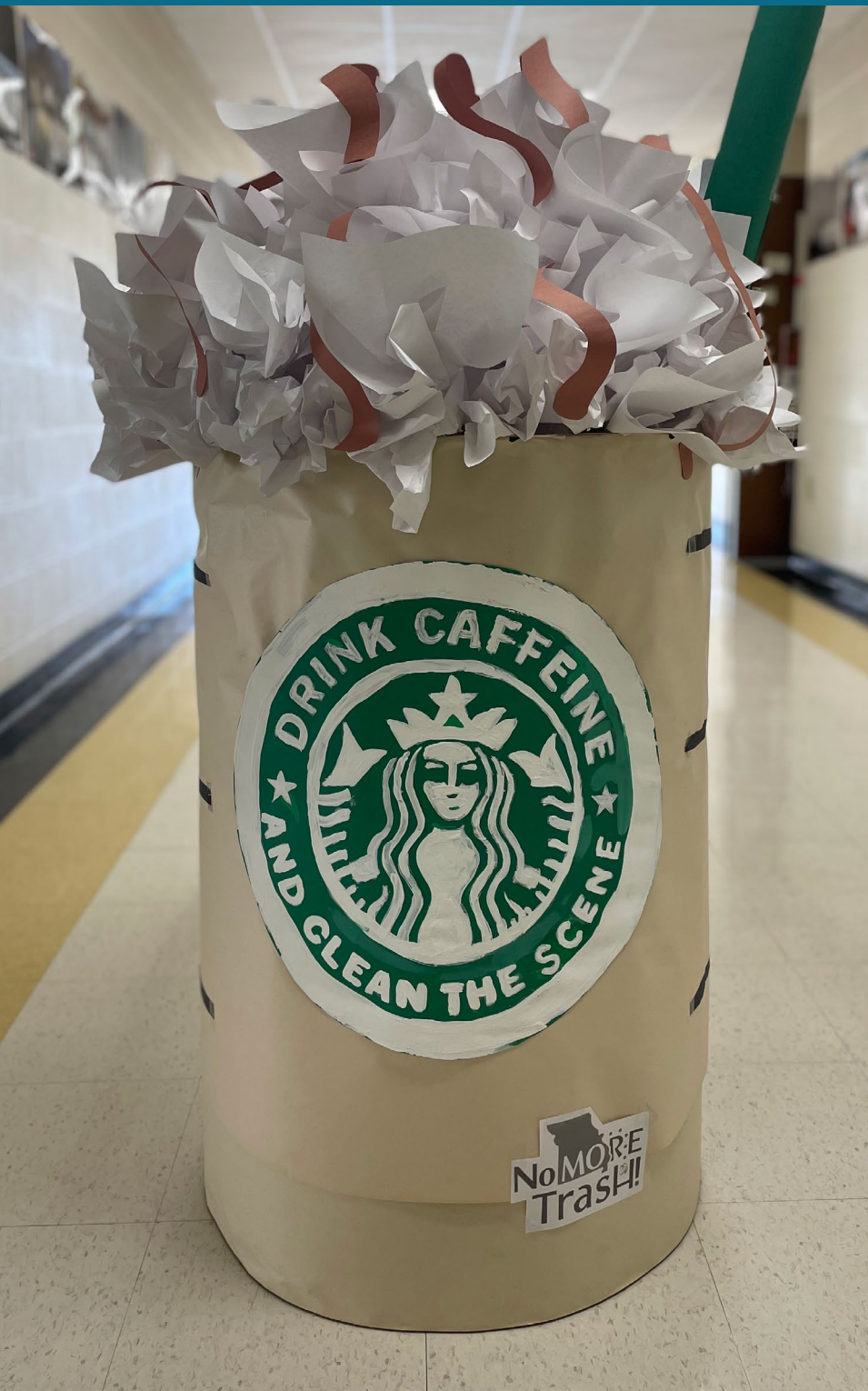
**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:** Drink Caffeine and Clean the Scene

**Project Description:**

7th and 8th Grade Girls No More Trash Project

- Our trashcan is a recycled oil drum from the school secretary's husband who works at a local diesel company.
- The trashcan is filled with recycled paper.
- The "whipped cream" on top is also all paper that teachers were going to recycle/ throw away.
- The girls drew and painted on the Starbucks label with the words DRINK CAFFEINE AND CLEAN THE SCENE





**School:** Liberal R-II Middle School

**Location:** Liberal

**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:**

Don't "Leaf" Your Trash Behind!

**Project Description:**

As you can tell from the photo, I have some characters in this bunch. They are always joking and love a play on words. My 7th-grade class wanted to use a direct message that would get their point across, but not seem "too bossy." In their words, "no one likes being told what to do." By bringing up the idea of pollution in a lighthearted way, their goal was to bring some comedy to a serious topic. With this approach, they felt like people were more likely to look at their own habits when it comes to littering. They used paint and toilet paper roll s to create the leaves that you see and used an assembly line approach so that every student was able to contribute to this project. Their next lesson focuses on social issues, this has inspired several of them to choose pollution as their topic for change.





**School:** Marian Middle School

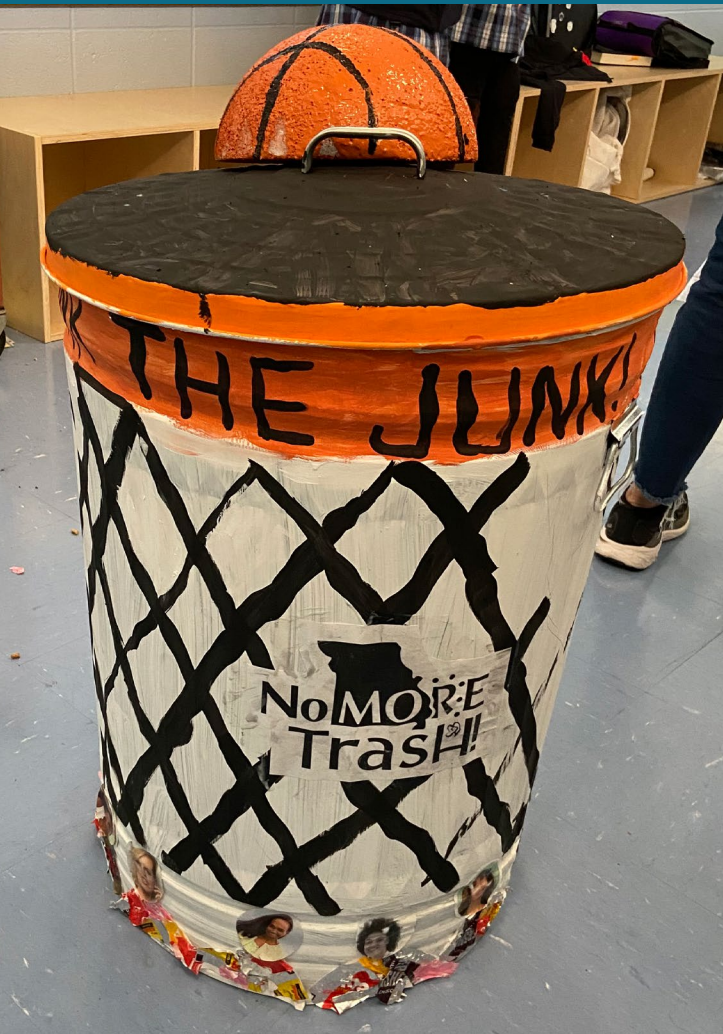
**Category:** 6-8

**Project Description:**

Our Girl Scout Troop has been working on a trash clean up this semester, we are so excited to add this contest to our agenda!

**Location:** St. Louis

**Project Title:** Dunk the Junk





**School:** Parkway South Middle School

**Location:** Manchester

**Category:** 6-8

**Project Title:**

Make a Splash About No More Trash

**Project Description:**

4 students worked on the contest to decorate the bin. Jayden Shearer, Eva Moore, Ella Manwaring and Grayson Fryar brainstormed ideas. They then researched ideas. They collaborated to agree on a concept. They chose the ocean as a theme. We asked for donated supplies. They created their decorations out of mostly recycled materials.

The team had limited access to resources to paste items onto the bin. They worked together and established roles to be successful. The team showed great interest in listening to one another and problem solving.

This contest really helped to support students to identify problems and solutions and to discuss the desire to reuse materials.

The students are desiring to use this bin as a collection of reusable supplies for STEM based projects.

