

COMPOSTING PROJECT:

Worm Bin Loaner Program



Davidson County public and private schools may apply for a loaner worm bin to use in the classroom. The worm bin comes with instructions, a care chart so you know what to do and when to do it, a book about worms for your students to read, and a little red wagon to conveniently and attractively store and transport the worm bin.

Worm bins are easy to maintain: just add moist shredded newspaper; a banana peel, apple core and coffee grounds, and watch the worms eat the garbage! Students will have a first hand view of decomposers at work and will learn about this natural form of waste disposal. Students have the opportunity to take the worm bin to other classes and make presentations about the worms - an innovative way to motivate students to practice public speaking skills.

A few examples of how schools have used the loaner worm bin:

- Buena Vista and Napier Elementary schools: *This was the perfect project for our kids. They learned all about worms, how they moved and what they ate.*
- McKissack Middle School students in the Life Skills class: *The students made presentations about the worm bin to other classes.*
- A McMurray Middle School counselor. *The students benefited from having something they were responsible for.*

Application for Loaner Worm Bin

NAME OF SCHOOL:

ADDRESS OF SCHOOL:

TEACHER CONTACT:

PHONE :

EMAIL ADDRESS:

Please describe your plans for using the worm bin:

How many students will be involved?

Grade(s)

When would you like to have the worm bin in your classroom? (Please list the dates; we recommend 1 month to 6 weeks)

FAX this form to: 862-8799

OR email your request to: jeffrey.ezell@nashville.gov

OR mail to: School Compost Bins

Metro Beautification, 750 South 5th St, Nashville, TN 37206

Or send via Metro Mail