



# Council PTA Environmental Award

2009-2010

## Purpose of Award

Honoring past Texas PTA President Annie Becker, and Texas PTA's partnership with the **Go Green Initiative** and **Keep Texas Beautiful**, this award recognizes participation of Council PTAs in environmental projects, programs and education.

## Award Criteria

- Council PTA must participate in Texas PTA Environmental Awareness Program.

### **Bronze Level Recognition**

- Conduct an environmental chairman workshop.
- Encourage Local PTAs to participate in school recycling program. Describe your efforts and results (*250 words or less*).
- Publish an environmental education article in one issue of the newsletter and/or on the Web site. Attach the newsletter with the article or provide the Web site address.

### **Silver Level Recognition**

- Complete all bronze level criteria as detailed above.
- Publish an environmental education article in two additional issues of the newsletter and/or on the Web site, for a total of three issues. Attach the newsletters with the articles or provide the Web site address.
- Participate as a Council PTA in a community environmental event (i.e., Keep Texas Beautiful Trash-Off, Earth Day, Arbor Day, etc.). Describe this event (*250 words or less*).
- Encourage Local PTAs to participate an energy reduction program such as Watt Watchers. Describe your efforts and results (*250 words or less*).
- Encourage Local PTAs to register with Go Green Initiative Program. ([www.gogreeninitiative.org](http://www.gogreeninitiative.org)) Describe your efforts and results (*250 words or less*).

### **Gold Level Recognition**

- Complete all bronze and silver level requirements as detailed above.
- Publish environmental education articles in all issues of the newsletter and/or on the Web site. Attach the newsletters with the articles or provide the Web site address.
- Adopt environmental awareness goals and publish them to Local PTAs. Attach the goals and specify how they were published.
- Complete a community beautification project that beautifies, improves, cleans up or educates regarding the environment. Project may be inside or outside the school and could be in the community. It should benefit the welfare of children. Write a brief description of your project including who participated and an evaluation statement of the final project (*250 words or less*).

## Award Submission

- This award will be submitted electronically via the Texas PTA Web site no later than **May 15, 2010**.
- Award submission forms will be available beginning April 1, 2010.