# CLEAN CAMPUS PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

Either fill out form and mail to Alabama PALS Attn: Shay Grant 8136 Old Federal Rd., Montgomery, AL 36117 or apply online at www.alpals.org

Current Member? Y or N
Participating School:
Contact Person:
County:
Circle One: City School County School Private School
Address:
City: Zip:
Phone Number:
Email for Contact Person:
Our school has reviewed the requirements for the Alabama
PALS Clean Campus Program and is therefore applying to be a
participating school in this statewide program.
Signed:(Contact Person)

#### Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_

#### PRINCIPAL PERMISSION

I,(Principal),
give consent for
school to participate in the Alabama PALS Clean Campus
Program for the 2025-2026 school year.
Signed:(Principal)
Date:

Alabama PALS (People Against a Littered State) is proud to offer the Alabama Clean Campus Program. The Clean Campus Program is available to all Alabama school systems, as well as Alabama colleges and universities.

The Clean Campus Program is designed to promote a cleaner and healthier environment for all Alabama campuses and presents an opportunity for students and faculty members to be a part of having their respective schools recognized for their efforts.

Alabama PALS looks forward to having the opportunity to work with your school in this effort as we work together to make Alabama a cleaner and more beautiful state for future generations.

Other programs offered through Alabama PALS include:

Adopt-A-Mile Program, Adopt-A-Stream Program, Annual "Don't Drop it on Alabama" Spring Cleanup, The Annual Governor's Awards Program, Statewide Chapter Network, & Alabama Coastal Cleanup.

For more information visit our website at www.alpals.org or call 1-800-ALA-PALS.



"Working Together for an Unlittered Alabama"



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2025 - 2026







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## **ALABAMA PALS**

8136 Old Federal Road Montgomery, AL 36117 1-800-ALA-PALS

# Recommendations and Guidelines for Participation in the Alabama PALS Clean Campus Program:

- 1. Apply or reenroll for membership in the program either on the attached form or online at www.alpals.org. The program is FREE to all Alabama schools. \**Please obtain Principal permission to participate.*\*
- 2. Assign a faculty member, existing club, or grade level to "manage/oversee" the program. The school then decides how to customize the program to meet the unique needs of your students. Some schools keep it very simple and others "go the extra mile" with their programs. We are happy to have your school involved either way, and our Clean Campus Coordinator is here to help kickstart your program!
- 3. Schedule a visit with the Clean Campus Coordinator to come to your school for a 30-minute presentation to your students. This presentation meets "teacher standards" for Environmental Education.
- 4. Plan at least one campus-wide cleanup. Some schools perform monthly or weekly cleanups, but this is not required. We would like for students to at least participate in one cleanup to see what kind of litter accumulates on campus and make them more aware of litter in general. PALS will provide bags for any on-campus cleanups.
- 5. Encourage participation in the K-6th Poster Contest and 7th-12th Recycled Art Contest in the spring and the Clean Campus Scrapbook Contest in the fall.
- 6. Reference our online litter curriculum for classroom activity ideas to incorporate more environmental education.

- 7. Encourage students to participate in your local "Don't Drop it on Alabama" Spring Cleanup in April to help cleanup and prevent litter in your community.
- 8. Get creative with campus beautification projects such as planting flowers, creating recycled art or hanging birdhouses on campus. We can help with outdoor classroom ideas, as well!
- **9. Participate in ongoing recycling** if it is available in your area.

## ALABAMA PALS WILL PROVIDE:

- NEW Clean Campus handout items (such as stickers, pencils, and notepads) for teachers and students
- Access to Clean Campus Coordinator for school presentations, answering questions and kickstarting your program.
- Access to Clean Campus video if unable to schedule an in-person visit.
- Trash Bags for Cleanups
- Certificates for Schools
- Membership Window Decal
- Access to Online Curriculum & Helpful Links
- PALS Newsletter (which contains all awards information, guidelines and applications)

## CLEAN CAMPUS PROGRAM

#### Target Group:

All Alabama students K-12. All city, county and private schools.

#### **Purpose of Clean Campus Program:**

To implement litter education and involvement in community and campus cleanup efforts. To be used as a "springboard" for implementing litter education into Alabama school systems.

## **Applying for Program:**

Schools must apply each year, even if your school has been a member in previous years. You may apply online at **www.alpals.org** (click the Clean Campus tab for info) or by returning the attached application form by mail.

> Dates for Program: August-May

Recognition for Participating Schools: Each participating school will qualify to nominate themselves for the State Clean Campus Award to be presented at the Governor's Awards program in November. The FIRST place school will receive a \$1,000 scholarship, 2<sup>nd</sup> place a \$750 scholarship, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place

*a \$500 scholarship.* In addition to the scholarship money, the State Winner will be presented signs to be displayed at their campus proclaiming the respective school as Alabama's Clean Campus Winner.