



Your Car May Be Killing You.

Did you know that **fine particle pollution** in New Jersey causes more premature deaths than homicides and car accidents?

Automobile exhaust is a primary component of fine particle pollution and is known to cause and exacerbate a variety of heart and lung ailments including asthma, bronchitis and allergies.

One single vehicle dropping off and picking up students at 1 school puts 3 pounds of pollution into the air — *per month*.



Children's asthma symptoms increase as a result of car exhaust, and asthma is the 3rd leading cause of hospitalization among children under the age of 15. **It is the most common chronic illness in children and the cause of most school absences.**

What Can We Do to Help?

Stopping vehicle “idling” means putting less exhaust in our air. . . and improves the air quality and respiratory health in our communities — starting with the children who breathe the excess exhaust as they come and go from school.

Idling Is Also Illegal!

Idling for more than 3 minutes is prohibited in New Jersey if your vehicle is not in motion — with fines starting at \$100.00 per violation (NJ State Law).

Stop Idling Your Car!

Idling Is “Fuelish”!

When you let your car idle, you might as well be burning dollar bills in your gas tank.



- ▶ Only 10 seconds of idling uses more fuel than turning the engine on and off. Vehicles that idle 10 minutes per day waste more than 29 gallons of fuel each year.

The best way to warm up a vehicle is to *drive* it.

It's simple: When you're waiting in your car, turn the engine off.



- It's good for your car.
- It's good for your wallet.
- **It's really good for your children.**

For more information about anti-idling, visit www.StopTheSoot.org or contact Melinda Dower of the New Jersey Dept. of Environmental Protection at 609-292-7953 or melinda.dower@dep.state.nj.us.

Ladies & Gentlemen:



STOP your engines!

Woodbridge Township Mayor's Office & Woodbridge Township
School District encourage you to support our

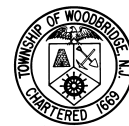
“No Idling Campaign”

Get in the habit of turning off your engine at school,
at the mall, at the bus stop or train station. . .
wherever you're parked and waiting.

It will help us all breathe easier. Especially our kids.



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