



Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Lyndon Town School is now supporting the Vermont Idle Free campaign. Here are actions that you can take while operating a vehicle to be idle free:

When waiting for a student in the "Parent pick-up", shut off your engine.

If you expected to be parked for more than 30 seconds, shut off your engine.

If idling is necessary for temperature control we encourage no more than a few minutes of idling.

Idling is when your vehicle is not moving but your engine is running for more than 10 seconds. When idling, much CO<sub>2</sub> is admitted, polluting the air around our school. Just 10 seconds of idling wastes more fuel than shutting off and restarting the vehicle alone. With our school having grades K-8 it is filled with children. As adolescents, our lungs are still developing so we breath at a faster rate and stand lower to a tailpipe. Therefore, idling on school property has a high chance of harming the lungs of children and teachers attending our school.

Enclosed with this letter is a pledge form. As part of the idle free campaign we are asking parents to pledge to be idle free when idling is not necessary. If choosing to pledge, the form can be returned with students to their homeroom teacher.

Not idling is a simple change that we can make to help our school environment be healthier and happier, as well as our neighbors.

Thank you for your support!

LTS 8th Grade Students