



MEDIA ALERT

BRIGHTENING THE WORLD FOR EARTH DAY

Meridian Waste Hosts Earth Day Coloring Contest for Children

WHO [Meridian Waste](#), an integrated, non-hazardous solid waste services company, is hosting an Earth Day-themed coloring contest, "Brightening the World" for children ages 5-10 to help keep them stimulated while spending more time at home.

WHAT The purpose of the "Brightening the World" coloring contest is to introduce the concept of Earth Day and how waste management plays a major role in the health and safety of our communities. Meridian Waste is providing this free contest for children creating an activity to participate in while schools are closed and they're spending more time at home.

The contest has two age categories for children to participate in with specific coloring sheets for the age groups 5-7, and 8-10. Coloring sheets will be available for download for children to create their art, and for upload via JPG/photo or PDF to participate in the contest. There is no purchase necessary, and the contest is open to children of Meridian Waste customers and non-customers alike.

WHEN The contest is open from March 23 - **April 18, 2020**. The winners will be announced on the website on April 22, with prizes mailed in late-April 2020.

WHERE Children across the United States are eligible to win. The contest takes place online. Official Rules, coloring sheets, and more information on how to submit your art can be found at <https://www.MeridianWaste.com/Earthday>

WHY "We wanted to help out communities, and people with young children at home, over the next few weeks by giving them something fun and positive on which to focus. Proper solid waste management is an important part of our collective effort to keep our neighborhoods and the greater community clean & green." said Meridian Waste CEO Wally Hall.

This contest is designed to give children and their caregivers an outlet to participate in by focusing on the greater good of being considerate to Mother Earth. Proper disposal of trash and recycling materials starts at home.

These efforts reinforce Meridian Waste's commitment to the communities they serve by providing the simple joy of children coloring while utilizing green efforts with the download of the coloring sheets and the upload of the artist's submission.

For more information, please visit <https://www.MeridianWaste.com/Earthday>

IMAGES

Image 1 - Coloring Sheet Ages 8-10

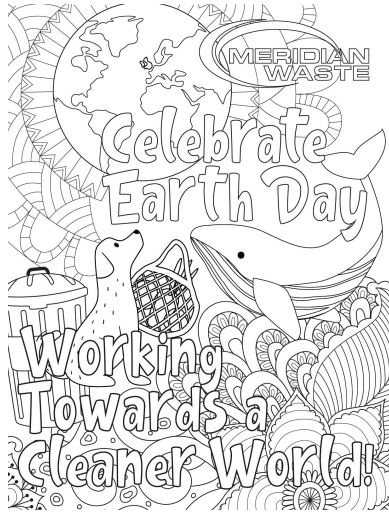
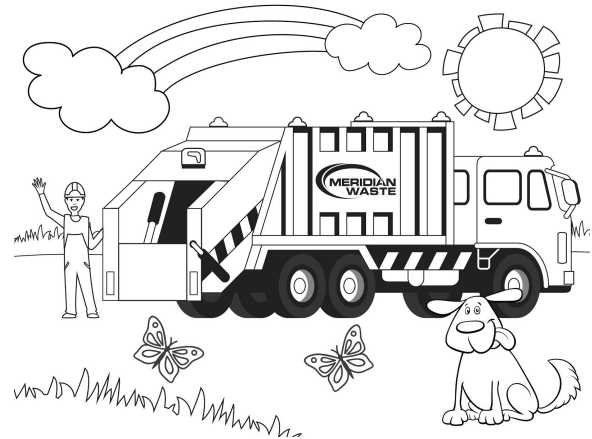


Image 2 - Coloring Sheet Ages 5-7



About Meridian Waste

Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Meridian Waste is a company defined by its commitment to servicing its customers, caring for and engaging its employees, and generating financial value for its shareholders while delivering a clean and healthy community. The Company's core waste business is centered on residential, commercial, and industrial non-hazardous waste collection and disposal. Currently, the Company operates in St. Louis, Mo., Richmond, Va., Blacksburg, Va., Augusta, Ga., Northeast Florida, Knoxville, Tenn. And Raleigh, NC, servicing more than 98,000 residential, commercial, industrial and governmental customers. In addition to a fleet of commercial, residential, and roll-off trucks, the Company operates five transfer stations, three recycling facilities, three municipal solid waste landfills and three C&D landfills in which 621,085 tons of waste are safely disposed annually. For more information, visit [MeridianWaste.com](https://www.MeridianWaste.com).