

Turn Your Key – Be Idle Free

Idling cars, trucks, and vans

- Emit air pollution that exacerbates asthma and other respiratory problems - 7.9% of adult Iowans and 5.8% of Iowa youth are afflicted with asthma.ⁱ That's about 191,000 Iowans.ⁱⁱ
- Waste gas and money.
- Create greenhouse gases which worsen climate change.

So do the right thing!

- Shut off your vehicle while you are waiting.
- Ask your school board to post signs in school parking lots saying “No Idling”.
- Ask your city council to post signs near areas where children are playing and near schools that ask people to avoid idling their vehicles.



ⁱ “Current Asthma by State, 2018”, American Lung Association, www.lung.org/research/trends-in-lung-disease/asthma-trends-brief/data-tables/asthma-current-state

ⁱⁱ Matt Kelley, “Asthma rate in Iowa now higher than the national average”, Radio Iowa, July 5, 2022