# Inspiration Calendar!

### **National Public Lands Month**

Each September, the National Public Lands Day Program celebrates all public lands we share as citizens, including schools! Memphis City Beautiful expands on this day by organizing and supporting projects throughout the community all month long.

#### How to partner with City Beautiful:

- Borrow supplies from our Tool Bank and host a campus, park, or neighborhood litter cleanup
- Request seeds, mulch, or compost for your school garden efforts
- Request a speaker to talk to classes about the importance of nature on physical, mental, and social well-being
- Ask for guidance on improving or adding infrastructure like school signs or outdoor classrooms



## **America Recycles Day**

Each year on Nov. 15, millions of Americans come together to spread the word on how recycling helps us reduce waste, save energy, and conserve precious resources.

#### How to partner with City Beautiful:

- Borrow recycling bins to help collect items for a campus recycling drive
- Invite a City Beautiful team member for a lesson on what items can be recycled and to play our waste sorting game with students
- Ask us how we repurpose items, like household materials for crafts or tires into walking trails



# **Arbor Day**

Arbor Day is celebrated on the last Friday of April nationally, but in Tennessee, we celebrate early (the first Friday in March).

#### How to partner with City Beautiful:

- Ask for support to plant a tree on campus with City Beautiful and our friends at the Tennessee Urban Forestry Council
- Request a speaker/storytime or special treethemed activities and coloring books
- Get suggestions about planning a field trip to attend the City's Arbor Day tree planting event

# **Great American Cleanup**

Between March 21 and June 20 each year, Keep America Beautiful hosts the Great American Cleanup, the nation's largest community improvement program. All types of projects are encouraged during this multi-month effort, particularly around litter prevention, beautification and gardening, and waste reduction.

#### How to partner with City Beautiful:

- Submit a request for litter grabbers, trash bags, and other supplies from our Tool Bank to clean up your campus
- Invite us to do our pollinator project with your students, including an in-classroom lesson and planting flowers in a campus garden
- Request a presentation from Memphis City Beautiful about the effects of litter, the benefits of recycling, or how we tackle too much waste



To request tools, seed packets, or other support from Memphis City Beautiful, call **901-636-4410** or email **city.beautiful@memphistn.gov**. We can't wait to support your ideas for Beautify Your School!

