

About Crayon Collection: The Crayon Collection mission is to inspire a commitment to environmental consciousness and the infusion of art education in underfunded schools. Our goal is to ensure that every child around the world has access to a crayon.

Crayon Collection Patch Program: Use Crayon Collection Programs and Curriculum to earn the Official Crayon Collection Patch



## Step 1: Crayon Recycling Program



Start a Crayon Collection through the Crayon Recycling Program

- Set up a box in your classroom or school to collect gently used crayons
- Partner with a local restaurant to set up a Crayon Collection box for gently used crayons from their kid's menus
- Have each member collect their own bag of crayons from home, friends, family, church, synagogue, camp, etc.
- Learn more: <https://www.crayoncollection.org/programs/crayon-recycling/>

## Step 2: Color Kindness Program



Create Crayon Collection Bundles with Kindness Notes through the Color Kindness Program

- We ask children to bundle about 10-12 crayons in a rainbow of colors tied together with a ribbon
- Next, we ask the child to include a hand-written note of positivity
- This gentle expression of care goes a long way and is a source of joy for both recipient and writer
- Learn more: <https://www.crayoncollection.org/programs/color-kindness-program/>

### Step 3: Donate Crayons



Donate the Recycled Crayons and Notes to a local vulnerable school

- Find a local “Title 1” school or Head Start Center that will accept your donations
- Contact Crayon Collection if you need help finding a match: [info@crayoncollection.org](mailto:info@crayoncollection.org)
- Deliver your crayon donations
- Contribute with a financial donation for Crayon Collection Programs
- Learn more: <https://www.crayoncollection.org/get-involved/donate/>

### Step 4: Share Your Accomplishments



Share your participation in the Crayon Collection Patch Program with the community

- Take lots of pictures and share the joy of giving
- Submit your photos to [info@crayoncollection.org](mailto:info@crayoncollection.org)
- Post photos online and tag @CrayonCollection #CrayonCollection

### Reflect: “Look What Trash Can Create!”



Use Learning to Give’s “Look What Trash Can Create!” to conclude with discussion questions: <http://bit.ly/teach1crayon>

- What does my crayon art tell others about who I am?
- What do I want to say to the child who gets this package of crayons that our community brought together?
- Why is it better for the environment to reuse crayons than throw them away?