What Can Kids Do for Water Quality?

To Keep Lakes and Rivers Clean...

- Don't use too many fertilizers or pesticides around your house. They can wash into the storm drain and end up in Crystal Lake or Minneopa Creek!
- Don't be a litter bug. Always dispose of trash in a proper container, not in the water or on the ground.
- Tell your parents if your family car is leaking oil or antifreeze. This can wash into the water and be dangerous for fish, birds, even cats & dogs.
- Walk only on existing trails when near the water to help reduce erosion.
- Don't rake leaves and grass clippings into streets and storms sewers. They can wash into the lakes and become more food for algae.





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To Conserve Water...

- Don't leave the water running while you brush your teeth.
- Limit your showers to 10 minutes or less.
- Look around your house for leaky faucets. Ask your parents to fix them right away.
- Keep a pitcher of water in the refrigerator so you don't have to run the faucet to wait for the water to cool down.
- Clean your sidewalks with a broom, not a hose.
- Wash your car or dog on the lawn instead of the driveway. This way your lawn gets watered too.

Teach your parents and friends how they can help to conserve water and keep the lakes and rivers clean and beautiful.