



## What is idling?

Any vehicle that is stopped with its engine turned on for 30 seconds or more is idling.

## Why is idling a problem?

Vehicle exhaust is hazardous to human health, especially children. Children are more vulnerable to vehicle pollution because their lungs are still developing and they are closer to the ground; therefore, closer to tailpipes.

Idling wastes resources and damages the environment. Burning fuel needlessly costs you money and contributes to air pollution.

NJ state law prohibits the idling of vehicles for longer than 3 minutes in weather above 25 degrees.

**MYTH:** Emissions from idling and driving are the same.

**FACT:** Idling vehicles emit higher levels of carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide which contribute to air pollution.

**Do Your Share for the Air!  
Please turn off your engine while waiting for your child.**



*Through our involvement with the Clean Air Campaign, Sicomac PTO supports a No Idling Zone around our school to improve air quality and create a healthier environment for our children.*