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- **What is Energy Safe Kids?**
 - Vectren and the National Energy Foundation (NEF) bring Energy Safe Kids, an interactive, hands-on safety education program, to approximately 180 schools through 235 presentations to 15,000 students. Based on fourth-grade curriculum, the program educates children about natural gas (and electric in South) safety through classroom presentations and take-home energy safety booklets.

Meet the program mascots, Therm & Volt!



Classroom Presentations

- **National Energy Foundation**
 - Two-person team
 - 45-60 minutes
 - 4th grade classes
 - Interactive games and experiment
 - Take home booklets, household safety report cards (survey)
 - Vectren employee participation
 - Speak at the end and thank the class by leaving color-changing pencils and erasers
 - www.vectren.com/energysafekids



Take Home Materials

NATURAL GAS SAFETY
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ABOUT NATURAL GAS
 Natural gas is a very clean, safe energy source when properly and safely used. However, like all sources of energy, it has certain characteristics that make it potentially dangerous. It is important that you and your parents know how to safely use natural gas and care for natural gas appliances.

SAFETY TIPS
 to keep handy

ENERGY SAFE KIDS is a THINK! ENERGY program of National Energy Foundation.

VECTREN ENERGY SAFE KIDS Household Safety Scan Form

Student First Name, Last Initial:

Teacher:

TeacherID:

Would you like your child to be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a Kindle Fire HD?
 Yes No

If yes, please fill in information below

Parent/Guardian Name:

Phone:

Email:

Address:

- What type of energy is used to heat your home?
 Natural gas Electricity Other
- Is the pilot light flame and/or gas range flame steady, blue and clean (free from excessive ash or soot around pilot light opening or air ducts) – indicating your natural gas furnace and/or gas appliance is working correctly and not giving off harmful fumes?
 Yes No NA
- Do you have a gas leak detector installed in your home?
 Yes No NA
- Are vents and flues for natural gas appliance(s) kept clean and in good condition?
 Yes No NA
- Do you store clutter, such as cardboard boxes, laundry, etc., around the base of natural gas appliances, restricting oxygen flow?
 Yes No NA
- Do you have aerosol cans, paint, cleaning supplies or other flammable substances stored near your natural gas appliances that could cause a fire?
 Yes No NA
- Do you have a carbon monoxide detector installed in your home?
 Yes No NA
- Do you test your carbon monoxide detector per manufacturer instructions?
 Yes No NA
- Before taking this survey, were you aware that you should call the national 811 phone number before digging in your yard to avoid hitting underground utility lines?
 Yes No NA
- Do you avoid playing around natural gas equipment, including pipes and the meter?
 Yes No NA
- Do you and your family know what to do if you smell the natural gas odor in your home?
 Yes No NA
- Do you have the phone number 800-227-1376 to call Vectren?
 Yes No NA
- Did you go online and play "Therm Fixes Space?"
 Yes No No internet access

Do you have at least 18 inches of clearance around your furnace and water heater for proper
 No NA

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Vectren Employee Volunteers

- Solicit volunteers by e-mail in your division
- Maintain presentation schedule on [Common](#) drive
- Send materials and assignment at least one week prior to presentation
- Hours count toward employee volunteerism – record with time entry operators



It is that time of year again... [Energy Safe Kids](#) presentations are here!! First of all, thank you to all who have attended presentations in the past. You know they are fun and harmless. You are the highlight of the program as you show up bearing gifts for the 4th grade students! The 30-60 minute presentations teach students about staying and playing safe around natural gas and electricity. This will be Vectren's seventh year offering this program in partnership with the National Energy Foundation.

Presentations begin **Sept. 15** and go through the second week of October.

To register to attend a presentation, first ask supervisor approval then click the link below to access the spreadsheet of available presentations for your region. The spreadsheet has filters on each column so you can sort by city, school, date, etc. You can then enter your name in column A next to the presentation(s) you wish to attend. If you do filter the spreadsheet, please clear your filters before saving so that the next person will see the entire list. Some school presentation dates and times are not confirmed yet, so they may be blank. I will update as soon as they are confirmed. **Also, please remember to save and close the file once you have input your name in column A next to the presentation(s) you wish to attend.**

- [Indiana North West](#)
- [Indiana North East](#)
- [Indiana South East](#)
- [Ohio](#)

Ideally, we would like to have all of the presentations for **September filled by Tuesday, Sept. 9** in order to ensure you receive materials by the presentation date.

After you have registered, you will receive color-changing pencils and erasers for the students.

NOTE: Attending one of these presentations counts toward Vectren volunteer hours. Remember to report your time to your time entry operator.

Please contact Kelli Martin at kmartin@vectren.com, Tracey Bryant at

Employee Packets

- Gallon plastic zip bag complete with pencils, erasers and assignment slip
- Send at least one week prior to presentation



As of 8/21/2015

Classroom Presentations

Thank you for your willingness to attend Vectren's Energy Safe Kids classroom presentation at a school near you. Having a Vectren employee in attendance during the presentation is both a goal of ours and a sign of our community stewardship. Your time qualifies for volunteer time, so please report it as such to your time entry operator.

Enclosed you will find color-changing pencils and color-changing erasers pre-counted and packaged for each presentation. Please present these to the students after the presentation as a gift from Vectren! If you want to demonstrate the color changing effect, make sure your hands are warm and hold the pencil or eraser tightly or simply rub them with your thumb.

Again, your time and representation of Vectren is appreciated. We encourage you to contact us with comments or feedback on the presentation(s) you attend.

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School: 10th Street Elementary

Address: 3124 E. 10th Street | Anderson, IN

Division: NE

Date: 9/15/2015

Time: 1:45:00 AM

Number of Students: 50



Create A Book Contest

- Classroom contest to create a book titled “You Can Be An Energy Safe Kid, Too!”
- Winning book will be printed and copies given to all participating classrooms
- 1st prize - \$500 classroom grant, printed books for teacher and students
- 2nd prize - \$250 classroom grant
- 3rd prize - \$150 classroom grant
- First year for this contest
 - Prior year’s it was a video contest



Live Wire Presentation – South Electric Only

- Optional program available in the electric territory
- Line specialists demonstrate the power of a live electric line and show how they use their safety equipment
- Approximately 50% of South schools participate



Therm & Volt Mascots

