



The 2026 Schools' Competition

The Glass Recycling Company NPC ("TGRC") is calling on schools in Gauteng, Western Cape Peninsula (limited to the City of Cape Town Metro and the Cape Winelands District Municipalities), Eastern Cape (limited to Port Elizabeth and East London and the Greater Durban and Pietermaritzburg areas (limited to Ethekwini and Umsunduzi Municipalities) to get involved in glass recycling initiatives and stand a chance to win fantastic prizes in TGRC's annual Schools' Competition.

Participating schools need to collect as many glass bottles and jars as possible. The schools that collect the highest tonnage of glass in each of the specified regions will win the following annual prizes:

ANNUAL GRAND PRIZES PER SCHOOL PER REGION				
	Gauteng	Greater Durban and Pietermaritzburg Region (limited to Ethekwini and Umsunduzi Municipalities)	Western Cape Peninsula Region (limited to the City of Cape Town Metro and the Cape Winelands District Municipalities)	Eastern Cape (limited to Port Elizabeth and East London)
1st	R30 000	R30 000	R30 000	R30 000
2nd	R20 000	R20 000	R20 000	R20 000
3rd	R10 000	R10 000	R10 000	R10 000

In addition, there will be monthly prizes to incentivise the best performing schools (i.e., schools collecting the highest tonnage of glass in each of the specified regions):

MONTHLY PRIZES PER SCHOOL PER REGION				
	Gauteng	Greater Durban and Pietermaritzburg Region (limited to Ethekwini and Umsunduzi Municipalities)	Western Cape Peninsula Region (limited to the City of Cape Town Metro and the Cape Winelands District Municipalities)	Eastern Cape (limited to Port Elizabeth and East London)
1st	R1 500	R1 500	R1 500	R1 500
2nd	R1 300	R1 300	R1 300	R1 300
3rd	R1 000	R1 000	R1 000	R1 000
4th	R 750	R 750	R 750	R 750
5th	R 500	R 500	R 500	R 500

The competition will commence on 01 February 2026 and will end on 31 October 2026.

The competition will be based on the tonnage of glass bottles collected by the service provider from 01 February 2026 until 31 October 2026. Accordingly, only glass bottles and jars collected by the service provider from 01 February 2026 until 31 October 2026 will be considered for the competition.

In line with its objective of increasing the recycling of waste glass, TGRC will assist schools with donations to increase their monthly collection of glass, as an added incentive over and above the cash prizes.

These donations and the criteria applied to qualify for them are solely at the discretion of TGRC and may be varied at any time, without any prior notice.

Donations will be granted to the schools within the band as established hereunder. These bands represent collections made by the school which have been verified by the TGRC internal audit department.

The table below is interpreted as follows:

E.g., If a school collects 1220kgs of glass for the month, the school qualifies for a donation of R182.00 for that month. Should a school collect an accumulated amount of 6221 kgs of glass for the month, the school qualifies for R1200 for that specific month.

Band/Range (kg's collected)	Donation Amount (based on accumulated collections for the month)
100-200	R 18.00
201-400	R 40.00
401-600	R 66.00
601-1000	R 120.00
1001-1400	R 182.00
1401-1800	R 252.00
1801-2400	R 360.00
2401-3000	R 480.00
3001-4000	R 680.00
4001-5000	R 900.00
5001-6000	R 1 140.00
6001+	R 1 200.00

TGRC is not involved in buying or selling glass.

Objectives of the competition

- ☐ To create awareness about glass recycling in schools and communities
- ☐ To educate learners and communities about the importance of glass recycling
- ☐ To encourage learners and communities to protect their environment.

Benefits for Schools

- ☐ A good initiative for schools to fundraise through winning prizes
- ☐ Learners are able to use their knowledge to influence behavioural change within their own school, community and family environment.

RULES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE COMPETITION

1. The Glass Recycling Company NPC, Registration Number 2005/024564/08 ("TGRC") will run the glass recycling competition from 01 February 2026 until 31 October 2026.
2. Only schools in the regions identified by TGRC in writing will be considered for participation in the competition.
3. An authorized representative from the school needs to apply for the placement of a glass bank, by completing the relevant application form which is obtainable from TGRC's offices or website (www.tgrc.co.za).
4. Complete the entry form and send it back to TGRC, by email to palesa@tgrc.co.za or by direct website submission (www.tgrc.co.za)
5. For any enquiries about the competition, please contact Palesa Makane on: 011 463 5644 or palesa@tgrc.co.za
6. Upon receipt of the entry form (new applications only), TGRC will send written confirmation to the participating school confirming that the school has been entered into the competition. No school shall be regarded as a participant in the competition unless such school receives written confirmation as aforesaid and complies with any other terms and conditions specified herein and/or determined by TGRC from time to time.
7. Existing schools will need to notify TGRC by email or fax should they no longer wish to participate in the competition.
8. Notwithstanding any contrary provision contained herein, participation in the competition shall be subject to the participating school (through its authorized representative) signing acceptance form/s relating to the terms and conditions of the competition and the placing of the glass bank at the school's premises. No glass bank will be placed with the school unless TGRC receives all duly signed and completed forms relating to the competition.

9. The school and a service provider must conclude an agreement in terms of which the glass bank is emptied by the service provider on a regular basis. The school acknowledges that the agreement concluded by it and the service provider for the emptying of the glass bank shall not be binding on TGRC and the school shall have no claim whatsoever against TGRC pursuant to and/or in connection with such agreement
10. TGRC will provide a list of service providers (who will be responsible for emptying the glass banks on a regular basis) to the school. The school shall keep records of all collections of glass by the service provider and these records shall be submitted by the school to TGRC by the 5th of the following month. Failing which, the school will be disqualified.
11. TGRC will monitor the volume of glass filled in a glass bank on a monthly basis.
12. The monthly winners will be identified by TGRC and will be announced by the 20th day of the month following the month in which the winners were identified (e.g., the February winner/s will be announced by the 20th of March).
13. The overall grand prize winners will be announced in February/March 2026 or any other date as may be determined by TGRC in its sole and absolute discretion.
14. Participation in the competition shall automatically cease in the event that the glass bank is, for any reason whatsoever, not emptied on a regular basis and/or is removed from the school premises for any reason whatsoever.
15. The participating school must at the least fill one glass bank per month with the recyclable glass referred to below. TGRC shall be entitled, but not obliged, to remove the glass bank placed with the schools in the event that the school does not reach the minimum monthly tonnage i.e., one full glass bank per month.
16. TGRC will provide schools with information indicating recyclable and non-recyclable glass bottles, however, the school shall be responsible for ensuring that:
 - a) Learners are educated on recyclable and non-recyclable glass containers.

- b) Non-recyclable glass bottles and jars are not being thrown into the glass bank.
17. All new schools will receive a record book ("the record book") from TGRC and all existing schools may continue to use the previous year's schools record book, the record book shall be used by the school to record:
- a) The volume of glass collected from the glass bank for each collection by the service provider; and
 - b) The date on which the glass was collected by the service provider from the glass bank.
 - c) All schools are responsible for notifying TGRC for lost record books.
18. The school shall ensure that the record book is duly signed and dated by the service provider and the school's authorized representative each time that the service provider empties the glass bank. Failure to sign the record book as aforesaid shall result in the volume collected by the service provider not being considered valid and excluded from the total volume collected by the school.
19. All information in the record book will be verified by an independent auditor appointed by TGRC at the end of the competition or at any time during the competition. Should there be any discrepancies between the service provider submission and the school's submission, the lower volume of the two will be accepted as the final submitted volume for that collection.
20. The monthly results will be published on TGRC's website. The published volumes shall be final and binding on the participating schools save for manifest error, which shall be corrected by TGRC.
21. TGRC, its directors, employees, agents, representatives, affiliates and sub-contractors shall not under any circumstances whatsoever be liable in respect of any loss or damage of whatsoever nature or howsoever arising (whether direct, indirect or consequential) which may be sustained by any person whatsoever (including but not limited to the school, pupils and/or teachers) whilst collecting the glass, utilising the glass bank, emptying/servicing the glass bank or dealing with the glass/glass bank in any manner whatsoever and whether as a result of the injury or death of any such person or any other occurrence whatsoever.

22. Prizes are not transferrable.

23. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

24. The participating school shall ensure that:

- a) the bottles and jars collected are uncrushed as this will be done by a qualified recycler with protective equipment;
- b) the lids are removed from the bottles and the contents of the bottles are emptied before putting the bottles into the glass bank. It is not necessary to remove the labels on the bottles
- c) only recyclable glass must be deposited in the glass bank. The following glass is for the purposes of this competition recyclable: alcoholic beverage bottles; non-alcoholic beverage bottles (juice and soft drink bottles); and food jars and bottles like mayonnaise, chutney and peanut butter jars, etc. Accordingly, for the purposes of the competition the following shall not be put in the glass banks and will not be considered: Ceramic cups, plates and pottery; clay garden pots; laboratory glass; crystal and opaque drinking glasses; mirrors, windshields and window glass; heat-resistant ovenware (for example, Pyrex and vision ware cookware); light bulbs; and such other glass or material determined by TGRC from time to time.

25. By entering this competition, the winning school authorises TGRC to promote and/or advertise the results of the competition, which would include an irrevocable and perpetual right which allows TGRC and its representatives to photograph and film the winning school for promotional purposes related to the competition, without payment or additional compensation.

26. TGRC may, and reserves the right to, in its sole discretion, cancel, terminate, modify, or suspend the competition and/or participating school/s under any of the following circumstances: cheating, fraud, technical failures, computer viruses, bugs, worms or other unlawful or unauthorized intervention, or any other factor beyond its reasonable control impairs the integrity of the competition (or portion thereof), as determined by TGRC its sole and absolute discretion. Failure to comply with any of the rules, terms and conditions of the competition may lead to the disqualification of the participating school/s by TGRC.

27. If TGRC terminates the competition for any reason whatsoever, TGRC may, in its sole and absolute discretion, select winners in accordance with these rules and any other competition documents based on the entries and reports received prior to termination of the competition; or not select winners and/or award prizes.
28. All documentation submitted by the schools in regard to the competition (including but not limited to registration and reporting forms), shall be the sole and exclusive property of TGRC and shall not be returned to the schools.
29. The participating schools waive any and all claims that they may have against TGRC, its employees or agents arising out of its participation in the competition as a participant on any grounds whatsoever, including in particular, but without limiting the generality thereof, any claim based on the negligent act or omission of TGRC, its employees or agents.
30. The participating school warrants that it is authorised and/or entitled to participate in the competition and indemnifies TGRC, its employees and agents against any claim which any third party may make against TGRC, its employees or agents arising out of its participation in the competition.
31. All participating schools are required to submit their schools banking details to TGRC, to facilitate the process of transferring funds. This must be submitted within 30 days after your entry has been approved. The banking details should be on a letter from your bank, with an official bank stamp validating the bank account details. All bank letters submitted to TGRC should not be older than 3 months prior to the submission date. No monies will be transferred unless the correct proof of banking details have been submitted and verified by TGRC. Transfers will also not be made to any individual's personal bank account.