

Thank you for requesting this Environmental Educational Kit!

This kit includes:

- DVD – Case 1225
- Educator Lesson Reference
- Student activity sheets
- List of additional references

The DVD and supporting materials were developed at a 3rd – 4th grade level, but can easily be adapted for other age groups.

Students will enjoy the humorous and bumbling “Detective Columbo” as he investigates the difference between real and artificial Christmas trees. Students will learn about photosynthesis, the life cycle, recycling, agriculture and more. Further, they will apply what they have learned through accompanying experiments, activities, worksheets and crafts.

We request that you catalog this kit in your media center so that all teachers in your school may have access to this resource. We have included flyers that you can place in third and fourth grade teacher mailboxes to announce that the kit is now available.

We do ask each of your teachers who use the kit to respond to a VERY brief on-line survey so that we can see how the kit is being used. All teachers who respond to the survey by December 10, 2010 become eligible to win one of 10 “Red” the cardinal mascots for their classroom!

All of the student activity sheets are also available in pdf format at our website: www.mcta.org. Simply click the “Educator” pull down menu and select “Environmental Educational Kit.” The follow up survey is



also found at our website in the “Educator” menu by selecting “Educator Survey.”

We hope your students enjoy this lesson!