

MULCH FOR A HEALTHIER LAWN. LEAVE YOUR LEAVES.



Everything we do on lawns, driveways and yards eventually ends up in our rivers, lakes and wetlands. Everyday decisions DO matter!
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Here are some ways to get you started:

- For leaves that fall on your yard, mulch them in.
- For leaves that have piled up on your lawn, shred them with a leaf mulcher.
- If you have more leaves than you know what to do with, take them to a local compost facility.
- Start a compost pile or buy a compost bin for garden and other organic waste.

WHY? Mulched leaves and grass clippings on your lawn prevent them from washing into storm drains and polluting nearby lakes and streams. Leaves left ON your yard help keep weeds in check and retain moisture during dry conditions. Mulched or composted leaves and other yard waste also release nutrients like phosphorus and potassium into your soil and act like a natural, slow-release fertilizer. Contrary to popular belief, grass clippings and leaves do not create or build thatch.

Contact the Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District for more information.

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