

Chemical-Free Kids; I'm Fine With Dandelions

Dandelions vs. Herbicides Scorecard

Dandelions	Herbicides
Cheerful sunbursts of spring color provide a delightful addition to Mother Nature's aesthetic canvas.	Promote a green monotone while stinking up the fresh spring air with noxious chemical odors.
Have long roots that aerate the soil and help to keep it alive and healthy.	Damage soil quality and viability; can migrate or drift and cause groundwater contamination.
Are not only edible, but a source of various health-enhancing nutrients, such as calcium, magnesium, iron, potassium, and vitamins A and C.	Imbue lawns with toxic chemicals that can be injurious to the health of children and pets.
Have health benefits that range from reducing clumping of blood platelets associated with coronary artery disease to serving as a natural anti-fungal medication for conditions such as athlete's foot.	Contain toxic chemicals that may increase the risk of cancer, neurological damage and other adverse health effects.
Help other plant life to thrive.	Can damage or kill other beneficial organisms.

