

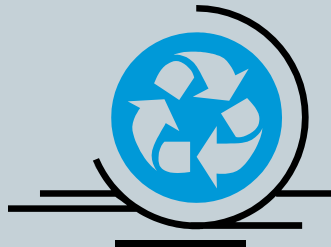
Recommendations for Recycling & Waste Reduction



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Make it Effective

Make it Easy

Make them Aware

Make it a Habit



Recycling Basics:
How do you get people to recycle?

Bloomington Recycling Policy

All materials must be clean and boxes flattened.

Materials that **CAN** be recycled

Containers

Plastics #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7, including containers for milk, water, soda, detergent, shampoo, salad dressings, medicine bottles, etc. (lids included)
Plastic 6-pack and 12-pack ring carriers (must be cut up)
Grocery containers #4 and #5 (plastic resin) such as margarine yogurt cups,

frozen dessert cups
Glass bottles and jars: clear, brown, blue, or green (metal lids included)

Aluminum: cans, clean disposable trays, pans and foil

Steel cans, including empty aerosol cans

Juice boxes (no straws), gable-top cartons, plastic buckets such as kitty litter containers (no larger than five gallons)

Paper products

Newspapers, including all advertising inserts

Paperboard such as cereal boxes, frozen food boxes, tissue boxes

Cardboard — cut down to newspaper size only

Computer paper, school paper, gift wrap

Books — soft-cover, and hard-back with the covers removed

Junk mail and envelopes

Paper egg cartons

Telephone books

Magazines



tubs,



Materials that are **NOT** acceptable



Motor oil containers

Plastic drink cups, dinnerware, and ceramics

#6 plastics (polystyrene), including Styrofoam and plastic egg cartons

Plastic bags, including grocery, bread, and dry-cleaning, plastic wrap

Flexible vinyl squeeze tubes, such as toothpaste and facial cleaners

Windows, mirrors, drinking glasses, or dishes

Soiled towels or napkins



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- Plastic 6-pack and 12-pack ring carriers (must be cut up)
- Grocery containers #4 and #5 such as yogurt cups, frozen dessert cups
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- **Aluminum:** cans, clean disposable trays, pans and **foil**
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- Newspapers, including all advertising inserts
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- **Cardboard** — cut down to newspaper size only
- **Computer paper**, school paper, gift wrap
- **Books** — soft-cover, and hard-back with the covers removed
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- Paper egg cartons
- Telephone books
- **Magazines**

Not Accepted:

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Recycling Education



Obvious Recycling Containers



- Size
- Shape
- Colors
- Labels



Trash & Recycle Bin Placement



- Make recycling available everywhere there is a trash bin.

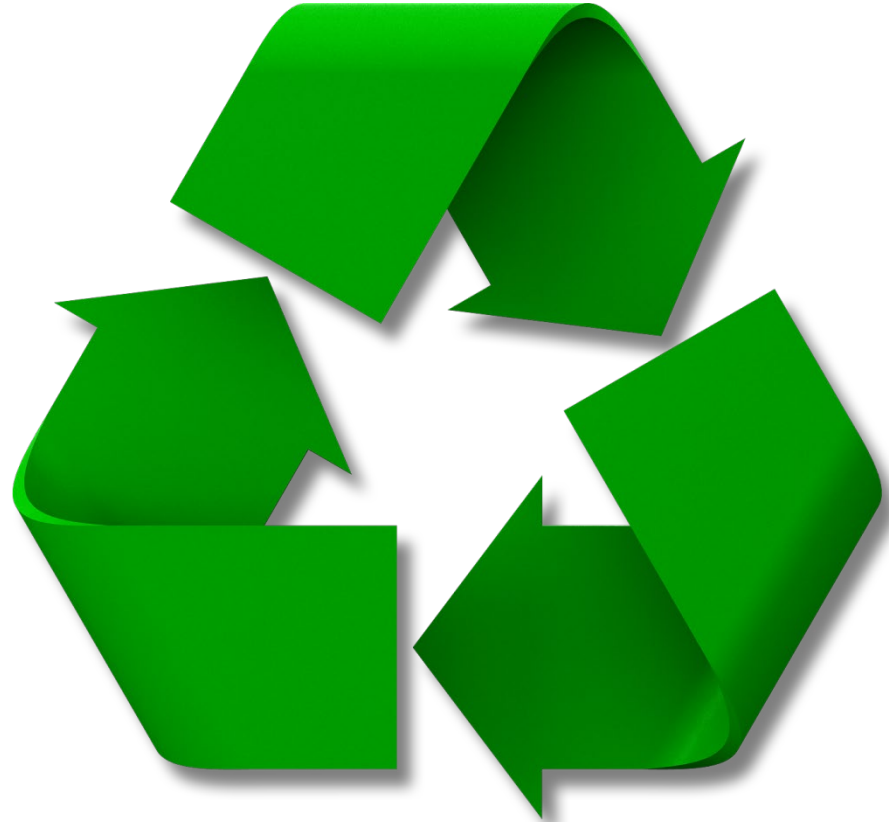




Reduce

Reuse

Recycle



**Waste Reduction:
Beyond the Recycling Basics**

Reduce: Buy Less and Buy Responsibly

- Packaging



- Recycled & Recyclable



Printed on Recycled Paper

- Disposable vs. Reusable



Reuse



- Forming new habits:
 - Refill water bottles
 - Write & print on the back of scrap paper
 - What else can you reuse?
- Donate used goods
- School policies to reuse or donate
 - Library books
 - Theatre props
 - Computers and printers

Recycle



- Recycle the obvious
 - Cans, bottles, food containers, paper, cardboard, etc.
- Recycle the not-so obvious
 - Batteries, cell phones, ink cartridges, etc.
- ‘Recycle’ food
 - Vermicomposting

Recycling the Not-So Obvious



- Batteries, cell phones, ink cartridges, CDs, shoes, glasses, e-waste, furniture, etc.
- There are many stores and organizations that you can bring these items to for reuse or recycling.
- As a school, you can set up permanent collection bins for these items or host a day or week when you collect them once a year.

Vermicomposting



Worm Bins



More Resources on Recycling



- Greening Schools
 - <http://www.greeningschools.org/>
- Illinois Recycling Association
 - <http://www.illinoisrecycles.org/>
- Recycle Bowl Competition
 - <http://recycle-bowl.org/>
- Recycle Mania
 - <http://www.recyclemania.org/>

Questions?



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