

NYC RRResources for Schools

Department of Sanitation Waste Prevention Reuse & Recycling

www.nyc.gov/wasteless/schools



Recycling Info

Every building in NYC is required by law to recycle, including all schools, public and private.

- ▶ [what to recycle](#)
- ▶ [how to set up your school recycling program](#)
- ▶ [sustainability coordinators](#)
- ▶ [school recycling program checklist](#)



Resources for Recycling

Free materials to set up your school recycling program, and to educate students, teachers, and parents.

- ▶ [order recycling decals and educational materials](#)
- ▶ [NYC Teachers' RRResource Kit](#)
- ▶ [request a recycling specialist walk-through](#)



Golden Apple Awards

Show us your school's recycling program, waste reduction efforts, cleanups, and composting. Best projects win cash prizes!

- ▶ [golden apple awards school contests](#)
 - ▶ [TrashMasters! Super Recyclers](#)
 - ▶ [TrashMasters! Reduce & Reuse Challenge](#)
 - ▶ [TrashMasters! Team Up to Clean Up](#)



Speakers, Tours, Field Trips, and Links

Speakers, tours, and links to other organizations and websites with resources for teachers and kids.

- ▶ [helpful links for teachers and kids](#)
- ▶ [how to request a speaker](#)
- ▶ [field trips and tours](#)
- ▶ [assembly programs](#)
- ▶ [resources for researchers](#)



Disposal Guidelines

Requirements about how to handle certain materials and what can't go in the trash.

- ▶ [who picks up my trash and recycling](#)
- ▶ [how to report missed collection](#)
- ▶ [what can't go in the trash](#)
- ▶ [state and local violations](#)
- ▶ [how to donate or sell surplus materials](#)



Composting at School

Compost in your classroom with a worm bin, or compost lunchroom and yard waste outdoors.

- ▶ [composting programs for nyc schools](#)
- ▶ [nyc compost project](#)
- ▶ [school food waste composting pilot](#)



Get Stuff

Links to organizations that help schools get funding or donations of new and used goods.

- ▶ [get donations](#)
- ▶ [materials for the arts](#)



Fun Pages

Comics, videos, quizzes, virtual tours, and activities for students in recycling, waste prevention, and cleanup & gardening.

- ▶ [coloring & comic books](#)
- ▶ [videos](#)
- ▶ [rate yourself](#)
- ▶ [measure your impact](#)
- ▶ [calculate your savings](#)
- ▶ [nyc's recycling game](#) (app or online)



Student Activities

Activities for students for recycling, waste prevention, and cleanup & gardening.

- ▶ [cleanup and gardening](#)
- ▶ [school recycling](#)
- ▶ [wasteless at school](#)

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NYC recycle more,
waste less!