RECYCLE RIGHT!

Whether you’re at home, in the classroom, or in the office always remember to recycle right.

IN THE OFFICE  IN SCHOOL  AT HOME

ONLY RECYCLE THE SIX ITEMS LISTED BELOW

- Plastic Bottles & Jugs with Lids
- Cardboard
- Cans
- Cartons
- Paper
- Glass Bottles

If you need more recycling bins, posters, educational materials and/or speakers please contact:

Mecklenburg County Solid Waste
Email: SolidWaste@MeckNC.gov

Program Checklist
2021-2022
Recycling Collection at your School

- Recyclable materials must be loose in outside dumpster
  - NO PLASTIC BAGS
  - Empty all recyclables into the can loosely.
  - Empty all liquids or products before placing in the recycling bin.
- Cardboard must be flattened.
- Coordinate with janitorial staff for emptying containers into recycling dumpster.
- Place all recyclable materials into recycling dumpster.
  - All recyclable materials are commingled, it’s not just for cardboard and paper.
  - Doors should be unwelded if they are welded, please let us know.
  - If the dumpster is full or your pickup has been missed, contact us by email: BSM@CMS.k12.nc.us.

Monitor Success

- Educate, reinforce and let us know if you need any assistance.
- Place a recycling bin next to, or near, most trash cans.

Incentive Programs

- A reward system is a great motivator. Recognition is always a good thing. Be creative.

Internal Collection

- Must be convenient!
  - Bins in every classroom, office, cafeteria & work room
  - Rolling Carts in “de-centralized” locations or a localized area
  - Place a recycling bin next to, or near, most trash cans.
- Try to find ways to make it easier for your custodians. Focus on the setup and student involvement.
- Be sure to recycle in the cafeteria.
  - Milk Carton, Can & Bottle Containers
  - Cardboard (Needs to be broken down and flattened)
  - Metal Cans (Empty)

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Education

- Poster and fliers
  - A poster for every classroom
  - Fliers for teachers, administrators, custodians, cafeteria staff
- Announcements at staff meetings, PTO or PTA - ensure all leaders know how the program operates.
- Continual Education - reinforcement is necessary, not just for students, but staff as well.
- Teacher’s lesson plans - use local and state resources to plan a lesson around recycling.

Check & Indicate Quantity if you need any of these bins/rolling carts

Milk Carton Bin  QTY. QTY. QTY.
Compost Bin   QTY.
Milk Bucket   QTY.
Large Hallway Bin  QTY.
Hallway  QTY.
Media/Copier  QTY.
Classroom  QTY.
Office  QTY.

The Metrolina Recycling Center, also known as a Material Recovery Facility or MRF, is the County’s processing facility that sorts all of the single stream recyclable materials collected from residential curbside programs, schools, and drop-off programs throughout Mecklenburg County using specialized equipment.

Signs, Posters & Stickers Available

To schedule a virtual presentation on school recycling and other waste reduction topics, email SolidWaste@MeckNC.gov.