



Classroom Recycling: Let's Get Started!

Every school will have 30 – 9 gallon blue classroom containers and 9 - 96 gallon blue recycling carts to store materials. Attached to this correspondence is a “Recycling List” for teachers and students regarding the classroom items that can be recycled in this program. Here we go!

- 1. Designate a collection area for the 9-96 gallon blue recycling carts.***
- 2. Distribute all 9 gallon blue classroom containers to all designated rooms.***
- 3. Teachers will designate recycling area in each classroom.***
- 4. Distribute “Recycling List” to all teachers.***
- 5. Teachers will educate students on classroom items that can be recycled.***
- 6. Individuals will be designated to collect materials in the classroom and shown where the collection area is located.***
- 7. Schedule any two days of the week for the classroom collection.***
- 8. Coordinate getting the 9-96 gallon carts to the curb on collection day so refuse vehicles can pick up items.***

****If you need more carts or classroom containers let me know!***

It has been my experience that schools with similar numbers of students to those seen in your district will fill 6-9 blue carts every two weeks. The amount of materials you will collect and divert from landfills will be huge! Your volume of classroom trash will go down significantly. This will be a great visual for students and hopefully will empower them to do more in the classroom and more at their homes with parents and siblings.

As soon as you are started please me and I will coordinate our recycling vehicles to collect the 96 gallon carts. I will also begin to monitor trash bins at those sites and we can begin to reduce service. The sooner this occurs the quicker refuse service can be reduced and the sooner the district can begin to realize cost savings from this program. Let's get started making a difference for BCSD and the environment!!

MATERIALS TO BE RECYCLED

- 1. Paper Products: Virtually all paper products***
 - a. office paper***

- b. construction paper*
 - c. cardboard*
 - d. scratch paper*
 - e. art paper*
 - f. newspaper*
- 2. Plastic products: "Rigid plastics"-no film plastics*
 - a. water bottles*
 - b. Gatorade or drink bottles*
 - c. Small "butter tubs" used in art projects*
 - d. Colored bottles for juice.*
- 3. Aluminum cans:*
 - a. Drink containers*
- 4. Steel cans and metal:*
 - a. Soup cans*
 - b. Cans from art projects*
 - c. Any metallic pieces.*