



# RECYCLE TODAY

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## Carson High aims for school-wide recycling

The week of January 12, Republic Services trainers met with Mrs. Tammy Bird, lead teacher in the Environmental Science, Engineering, and Technology (ESET) program, and Eli Romero, from International Trade Education Programs (ITEP), and Dr. Kimberly Hudson, from LAUSD's Linked Learning program, to discuss the school-wide recycling program and curriculum at Carson High. The recycling program will be comprised of classroom recycling, cafeteria recycling, food recycling, lunchtime recycling, and composting. To support students' Linked Learning projects, the recycling program will give students hands-on, work-based experience, balanced with in-classroom curriculum. ESET students and members of the Go Green Club were invited to participate in a training workshop on Saturday, January 31. At the workshop, students, staff, and trainers worked together to plan the recycling infrastructure on campus and to begin to assign positions to participating students.

This program will be the model for all future high school recycling programs in LAUSD.

**Collected food waste goes to feed chickens in the school's coops. The lunchtime recycling program has reduced waste by 40-60%.**



## Kennedy Elementary gets refresher training



Kennedy Elementary School had lunchtime recycling in place, but student volunteers were needed to re-energize the program. Republic trainers visited the school the week of January 12 to provide a lunchtime refresher. During the training, several students volunteered to help the Plant Manager with recycling. A total of five faculty members and 461 students were retrained with great results. The school was able to reduce lunchtime waste to five bags of trash, one yellow bag of recycling, seven gallons of milk poured from containers, and 385 stacked trays.

So far, more than 300 schools in LAUSD have implemented lunchtime recycling programs. That number includes 207 schools that have begun programs this school year!

## Back to school for MRF'y

January was a short month at LAUSD schools, but the week of January 12 MRF'y the Recycling Robot was able to visit three elementary schools, Enadia, Grant, and San Pascual. A total of 1,185 students learned about recycling during the fun and interactive programs.



### Other Services

In addition to student training, Republic Services also works behind the scenes with plant managers to improve recycling programs and offers training to facility and kitchen staff.

All of these programs and services are FREE! If you are interested in bringing these programs to your school, please call 213-241-3199 or email: [wastemanagement@lausd-oehs.org](mailto:wastemanagement@lausd-oehs.org)