

## NORWALK PUBLIC SCHOOLS TRASH & RECYCLING PROGRAMS

- Wet trash and non-recyclable waste at all 19 schools is collected throughout each building by the custodial staff and placed outside in designated dumpsters for pickup and disposal by a private collection company. Service is dependant on the population of the school and ranges in frequency from a daily pickup to twice per week. Summer recess service is provided “on-call”.
- Corrugated cardboard at all 19 schools is collected at each building by the custodial staff, broken down and then placed in a designated outside dumpster. All cardboard dumpsters are picked up once per week by the same collection company.
- Bottles, cans, newsprint, magazines, paper and other recyclables are separated at each school and collected by crews from the Norwalk Department of Public Works (DPW).
- All 19 schools have been setup to operate the recycle process directly in the classrooms, administrative offices and cafeterias, etc. These areas have been equipped with designated bins to receive the recyclable materials.
- Custodians at each building routinely collect and empty the bins into larger wheeled barrels for transfer to the DPW containers located outside each school building.
- At many schools, where recycling is heavy in certain areas (cafeterias, staff rooms) special larger containers have been put in place to handle the volume in a more effective manner.
- The Facilities & Maintenance Department monitors the recycling program every school year, but relies on the assistance and cooperation of each and every staff member, the students and the school administration to make this program successful.
- Every July and August, during summer recess, our Supervisor of Custodial Services reviews and evaluates the recycling program at each school, along with the head custodian. At that time he makes certain that they are following established practices, that equipment is in place to support the program, and he determines if additional bins or replacement equipment are needed for the upcoming school year.
- Should bins or equipment be needed they are secured from the DPW or purchased off our vendor lists. If practices require improvement they are discussed with the head custodian with the intent that they be implemented by the staff.
- While the Facilities & Maintenance Department continues to promote district recycling efforts, the ultimate success with the program depends on the dedicated participation by the staff, students and administrators.

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	Recycling In					Program Effective Y/N	Comments
	Team Visit Y/N	Classrooms Y/N	Lunch Room Y/N	Admin Offices Y/N			
Brien McMahon High School	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	partial cafe / 130 BB for CR in Sept
Briggs High School							
Norwalk High School	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	partial cafe - waiting for 50 gal cont
Nathan Hale Middle School	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	from Mark G/ Reducing a dump. size
Ponus Ridge Middle School							
Roton Middle School	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
West Rocks Middle School							
Brookside Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Columbus Magnet Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	partial cafeteria
Cranbury Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	partial cafeteria
Fox Run Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Jefferson Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	partial cafeteria
Kendall Elementary							
Marvin Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Naramake Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Rowayton Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Silvermine Elementary							
Tracey Elementary							
Wolfpit Elementary	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	