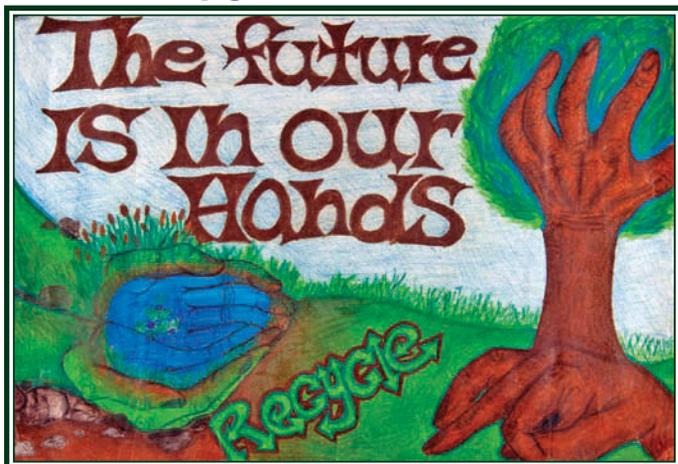


Be a Recycling Detective

What can be recycled in your area?

Check with your local municipality or waste hauler to see what they accept and how it should be sorted. Watch for opportunities to recycle your waste wherever you are—home, school, the park, the library, the mall, or visiting with friends. Find your local recycling coordinator at

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8511.html



Poster by Laura Weiland, Victor Senior High School

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Litterless Lunch Challenge



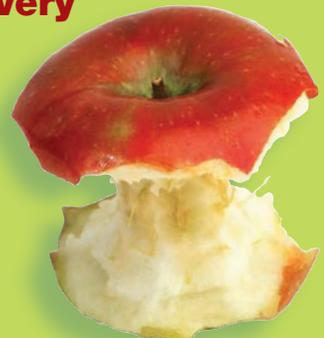
Trash in school cafeterias includes scraps from food preparation and serving, and from disposable dishes and utensils, napkins and milk cartons. Many schools have composting programs for food scraps and leftovers. Some have reusable flatware and dishes rather than disposable items. Lunch wraps and bags from home also add to the trash, along with leftover food that's thrown away. A litterless lunch results in no waste! Are you up for the challenge?

DO THE MATH

If you take lunch to school each day—a sandwich in a plastic bag, a juice box, an apple and a paper napkin, all in a paper bag—**how much waste do you create? What if every student in your class did the same?**

Everyone in the school?

By switching to a reusable lunch bag, reusable containers, a refillable drink bottle and cloth napkin, your only disposable would be an apple core. And that could go into the school's compost. **Voila! A litterless lunch!**



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