



Getting Your Dream Machine Recycling Program Started

Through a partnership with PepsiCo and Waste Management, Prince George's County public schools now have access to a new single-stream recycling program for plastic, aluminum and paper!

The program is key in meeting state-mandated recycling requirements for Prince George's County public schools that go into effect October 31, 2012.

Here are step-by-step directions for setting up recycling at your school:

- 1** Establish a Green Team consisting of students, staff and volunteers. (Be sure to include a custodial staff person on your team.)
- 2** The Green Team develops a plan to get recyclables from classrooms, common areas and the cafeteria to the exterior recycling bin.
- 3** PepsiCo has received a list of schools in need of recycling services. If you haven't been contacted, please visit www.DreamMachineRecycleRally.com to register your school in the Dream Machine program. This program has been structured based on the anticipation of active participation of beverage container (PET plastic bottles and aluminum cans) recycling at these schools in the range of one beverage container per child per school day, or 400+ lbs of recycling a month.
- 4** PepsiCo will arrange for the delivery of your outside recycling bin through Waste Management and will send your school a scale and tracking materials for estimating the weight of your recycling materials. NOTE: to receive the free recycling services, schools MUST provide ongoing tracking data. PLEASE NOTE – this program is designed primarily for PET plastic beverage containers and aluminum cans. Space permitting in the Waste Management outdoor collection bin, you can also recycle your paper and plastic milk bottles.
- 5** Once you receive your outside bin, scale and tracking materials, start recycling! Schools using municipality single-stream recycling services should continue to do so. Schools using the Abibow Paper Retriever program may continue to do so as a paper solution, and use the Dream Machine for plastic and aluminum recycling.

Specialty Recycling Items

Ink Jet and Toner Cartridges – Send via PONY mail to the William S. Schmidt Center

E-Waste (outdated/broken computers, printers, fax machines, etc.) – Contact PGCPs Supply Services at 301-808-8200 to arrange for pickup/transfer of electronic equipment for recycling.

Scrap Metal – Contact PGCPs Supply Services at 301-808-8200 to arrange for pickup/transfer of scrap metal for recycling.

Questions?

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