

WASTE REDUCTION TRIANGLE

SD42 diverts close to 70% of its waste from the landfill by recycling and composting, but we can still do more. Here are some ways you can help us reach our goal of an 85% **CLEAN** diversion rate:

REDUCE

- Say no to single-use plastics
- Buy products with less packaging
- Whenever possible, buy in bulk

REUSE

- Use reusable mugs and lunch containers
- Repair and reuse old items
- Find a second use for your recyclables

RECYCLE

- Recycle all accepted plastics, paper, glass, polycoat, and metal



REFUNDABLES

What: All refundable beverage containers for which a deposit was paid, aluminum cans, plastic beverage bottles, glass beverage bottles, juice boxes, tetra packs, drink pouches, gable-top beverage containers

How: Refundable programs are optional and independently managed by each school

WASTE STREAM GUIDE FOR SCHOOLS





ORGANICS



- ✓ All food items: proteins, eggs, dairy, fruits and vegetables, breads, grains, bones
- ✓ Tea bags, coffee filters, and grounds
- ✓ Food-soiled paper towels
- ✓ Yard waste, wood chips, and sawdust
- ✓ Certified compostable bags, cutlery, plates, and cups



CARDBOARD



What: Cardboard, cardboard coffee trays

How: Broken down, flattened, and placed in the nearest designated cardboard disposal location

LEARN MORE

Check out our website for more information

sd42.ca/waste-collection-program



RECYCLING



Paper: Newspaper, paper bags, magazines, clean loose paper

Please clean and dry the following items before placing in the blue bin:



Plastics: Items labeled #1-7 including water bottles, yogurt containers, coffee lids, plastic takeout food containers



Polycoat: Coffee cups, boxed containers for beverages and soups



Metal: Tin food cans, aluminum cans, foil



Glass: Glass bottles, jars, containers



GARBAGE



- ✓ Only items not accepted in the recycling or organics streams
- ✓ Items accepted in the recycling stream that have not been cleaned
- ✓ Plastic items not labeled #1-7 (such as plastic bags, zipper locking bags)
- ✓ Textiles



SD42 PROGRAMS

What: Hazardous waste, electronics, sharps disposal

How: Please send a work request order to the SD42 maintenance department for hazardous waste and sharps disposal. For electronics, please contact the IT department.



CONTACT US

If you are interested in learning more about how to improve your school's recycling program, please contact the maintenance department.

