



Less Garbage, MORE GLORY


RecycleMania

Over a 10-week period from January 17 to March 27, 2010, 600 participating college & university campuses will compete in various categories measuring the success of their recycling & waste prevention efforts.

Waste Minimization Competition

Schools compete to see which produces the least amount of municipal solid waste (both recyclables & trash) per person. This competition encourages schools to generate the least amount of combined waste & recyclables, emphasizing reuse & source reduction over recycling.

As part of their involvement in the Waste Minimization category of RecycleMania, the eight UW System campuses listed below have pledged to implement the following waste reduction practices on their campuses:



Purchasing office equipment with waste prevention in mind (e.g. electronic interface, double-sided capabilities; sourcing & purchasing for durability, etc.)

Working with vendors to reduce transportation packaging (e.g. require vendors shipping on a pallet to take it back with the next delivery; redesign shipping packaging for waste minimization or recyclability, etc).


Promoting inter-office reusable envelopes for campus mail & review/improve campus systems for reclaiming extra envelopes for reuse.

Active program to reduce unwanted bulk mail from off-campus sources (e.g. creating an opt-out registry for staff & faculty; housing mail room send out bulk mail removal postcards on behalf of former residents, encouraging the cancellation of unnecessary or duplicate subscriptions etc.).

Promoting the use of printer settings & paper reduction software (e.g. GreenPrint).

Creating & promoting a system for the campus community to report wasteful practices & offer suggestions for waste reduction.

Creating active program to educate employees & students about waste minimization practices (e.g. incorporating waste minimization information into new employee / new student orientation programs; giving regular presentations to campus groups & departments; setting up public displays).



Promoting inter-office reusable envelopes for campus mail & review/improve campus systems for reclaiming extra envelopes for reuse.

Replacing paper documents with online alternatives wherever possible (e.g. telephone directories, course catalogs, room selection, bill payment, grade distribution).

Implementing campus printing initiatives which prohibit or discourage unlimited printing in computer labs & copy rooms (e.g. pay-per sheet pricing).

Promoting the use of printer settings & paper reduction software (e.g. GreenPrint).

Offering discounts or other incentives for using reusable mugs in campus dining operations.



UW-La Crosse

Active program to sell or donate campus surplus property.

Implementing campus printing initiatives which prohibit or discourage unlimited printing in computer labs & copy rooms (e.g. pay-per sheet pricing)



UW-Madison

Active program to sell or donate campus surplus property.

Establishing post-consumer waste & biodegradable dinnerware composting program.

Creating & promoting a system for the campus community to report wasteful practices & offer suggestions for waste reduction.



UW-Platteville

Purchasing office equipment with waste prevention in mind (e.g. electronic interface, double-sided capabilities; sourcing & purchasing for durability, etc.)

Replacing paper documents with online alternatives wherever possible (e.g. telephone directories, course catalogs, room selection, bill payment, grade distribution).

Implementing campus printing initiatives which prohibit or discourage unlimited printing in computer labs & copy rooms (e.g. pay-per sheet pricing).

Promoting the use of printer settings & paper reduction software (e.g. GreenPrint).

Creating active program to educate employee & students about waste minimization practices (e.g. incorporating waste minimization information into new employee / new student orientation programs; giving regular presentations to campus groups & departments; setting up public displays).



UW-Whitewater

Active program to sell or donate campus surplus property.

Reusing &/or redistribute packing materials from central stores & campus distribution centers.

Promoting inter-office reusable envelopes for campus mail & review/improve campus systems for reclaiming extra envelopes for reuse.

Offering discounts or other incentives for using reusable mugs in campus dining operations.



UW-Stevens

Replacing paper documents with online alternatives wherever possible (e.g. telephone directories, course catalogs, room selection, bill payment, grade distribution).

Creating & promoting a system for the campus community to report wasteful practices & offer suggestions for waste reduction.

Creating active program to educate employee & students about waste minimization practices (e.g. incorporating waste minimization information into new employee / new student orientation programs; giving regular presentations to campus groups & departments; setting up public displays).

Eliminate the sale of plastic water bottles in vending machines.



Promoting inter-office reusable envelopes for campus mail & review/improve campus systems for reclaiming extra envelopes for reuse.

Replacing paper documents with online alternatives wherever possible (e.g. telephone directories, course catalogs, room selection, bill payment, grade distribution).

Offering reusable dinnerware & utensils in all sit-down dining facilities.



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Implementing campus printing initiatives which prohibit or discourage unlimited printing in computer labs & copy rooms (e.g. pay-per sheet pricing).

Creating an office supplies exchange program on campus.

Offering discounts or other incentives for using reusable mugs in campus dining operations.

Converting all-you-can-eat dining facilities to pay-per-portion system.

Establishing post-consumer waste & biodegradable dinnerware composting program.

Creating active program to educate employee & students about waste minimization practices (e.g. incorporating waste minimization information into new employee / new student orientation programs; giving regular presentations to campus groups & departments; setting up public displays).