

Manhasset Schools Begin Recycling Program

Over the course of the next few weeks, Manhasset schools will roll out a comprehensive recycling program, to include all paper, plastic and aluminum products. The brand-new program, initiated by the Town of North Hempstead, provides each classroom with two recycling bins, one each for papers and comingled plastics and metal cans. All other trash will go in a regular bin. In addition, cafeterias will be equipped with special bins to separate food waste from plastic/aluminum and paper.

The elementary schools have already begun to recycle, and the students are very enthusiastic about the program. Munsey Park Principal Dr. Jean Kendall noted that the fifth graders are particularly excited about recycling this year, as their science curriculum includes a unit entitled "too much trash". In all classrooms, the children are abuzz with discussions about what they can and can't recycle. To assist in implementing the program, volunteers from the SCA's Planet Manhasset committee will be visiting during lunch periods, to help explain the cafeteria portion of the program. In addition, Planet Manhasset suggests that parents discuss the school program at home with their children, to reinforce the program goal of total participation.

The Middle School/High School will be launching its program shortly.

For more information regarding the school recycling program, please contact the principal of your child's school. For district-wide information, please contact Armand Markarian, School Facilities Director, at the central office.