



## Superintendent's Circular

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### MANDATORY SYSTEMWIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

All Boston Public Schools should be participating in the mandatory System-wide Recycling Program. This initiative began in 1997 and is currently the most successful polystyrene recycling program in the United States. By involving the Boston Public Schools in this environmental program in recycling, we are meeting our goal of conservation awareness among our students while guaranteeing them a safe and healthier world in the future.

The formulation of this comprehensive plan for recycling has grown by using progressive development of partnership agreements between the Boston Public Schools, business collaboratives, and vendors. Through this program, paper, corrugated packaging, and polystyrene products are being recycled within all school facilities.

Each school should be involved in the collection of recycled products, and every school that has polystyrene and food service items has them picked up on a daily schedule. Six schools have recycle dumpsters in place, have them picked up as needed. Those schools without dumpsters have fibrous material picked up on a regular weekly schedule by our STRIVE students or call the Materials Distribution Center @ 635-8745 to schedule a pickup.

The Department of Facilities Management, Food Services, and the STRIVE School-to-Career Program will provide materials and specific information required to keep your program operational.

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