



King County Green Schools Program

Success Story

Reduce • Reuse • Recycle • Rethink

Kenmore Middle School

(formerly called Kenmore Junior High School)

School district: Northshore

School location: Kenmore

Began participating in the Green Schools Program: September 2015

Level One of the Green Schools

Program: Achieved in May 2016

Waste Reduction and Recycling (Level One)

- The school increased its recycling rate by more than 20% by educating students and staff on how and what to recycle.
- The school used advisory time once each month to talk about green practices.
- The student Green Team held a contest between the two lunch periods to see which lunch period generated the least amount of garbage. Second lunch defeated first lunch in the contest.
- For the cafeteria, students created three-dimensional posters with actual recyclable and garbage items glued to each poster to show which materials are recyclable and which are not.
- The student Green Team conducted an Earth Day presentation for the entire school to teach fellow students about environmental sustainability and lead them in a recycling relay.



Students presented recycling and waste reduction practices at Earth Day event



Waste sorting at Earth Day event