



Riverview Learning Center

School district: Riverview

School location: Carnation

Began participating in the Green Schools Program: October 2011

Level One of the Green Schools Program: Achieved in May 2012

Waste Reduction and Recycling (Level One)

- Riverview Learning Center, a newly constructed facility in fall 2011, increased its recycling rate from 11% in October 2011 to 38% in May 2012.
- The school reduced the size of its outdoor garbage container from 8 yards to 3 yards, and increased its outdoor recycling container from 1 yard to 2 yards.
- Ninth- and tenth-grade students in the school's CHOICE program completed the Green Schools Level One criteria by starting a recycling program in September 2011. The students collected recyclable materials weekly from each classroom.
- Custodian Bill Kincaid assisted with recycling collection and monitoring outdoor collection containers.
- A labeled recycling bin from the Green Schools Program was placed in every classroom and office, and staff and students were encouraged to reduce waste and recycle.
- To reduce paper use, teachers used whiteboards and students copied assignments in their notebooks, and staff bulletins and announcements were sent electronically.
- The school used recycled content copy paper, made double-sided copies, and encouraged writing on both sides of paper.
- In October, students in "A Sustainable World" Environmental Science class completed a unit about consumption and the environment.