



Rosa Parks Elementary School

School district: Lake Washington

School location: Redmond

Began participating in Green Schools Program: February 2019

Level One of the Green Schools Program: Achieved in May 2019

Waste Reduction and Recycling (Level One)

- Rosa Parks Elementary achieved a recycling rate of 46%.
- To promote waste reduction and recycling practices, regular reminders were included in school and PTSA newsletters.
- The cafeteria replaced single-use disposable trays with reusable, durable trays.
- School kitchen staff monitored cafeteria sorting stations to help ensure correct sorting of recyclable materials and garbage.
- During their social studies unit, fourth-grade classes hosted a speaker who shared impacts of climate change on native habitats and people.
- At its book fair, the school collected gently used books to donate to a nonprofit environmental advocacy group.
- First-grade students used the school garden to learn about nutrition.