



RECYCLING NEWS

Recycling 365 days...

- Recycling takes place every day, even during summer months.
- Summer months provide additional opportunities to recycle. If you have a summer project at your school, please recycle any paper/cardboard and commingled bottles/cans that you may generate. Breakdown boxes before placing them in the dumpster.
- Five gallon buckets such as floor wax bucket can be recycled. Please ensure that they are empty and place them in the bottles/cans dumpster.
- Please make sure that your dumpsters are locked to avoid any illegal dumping, especially if you have a construction project at your school.

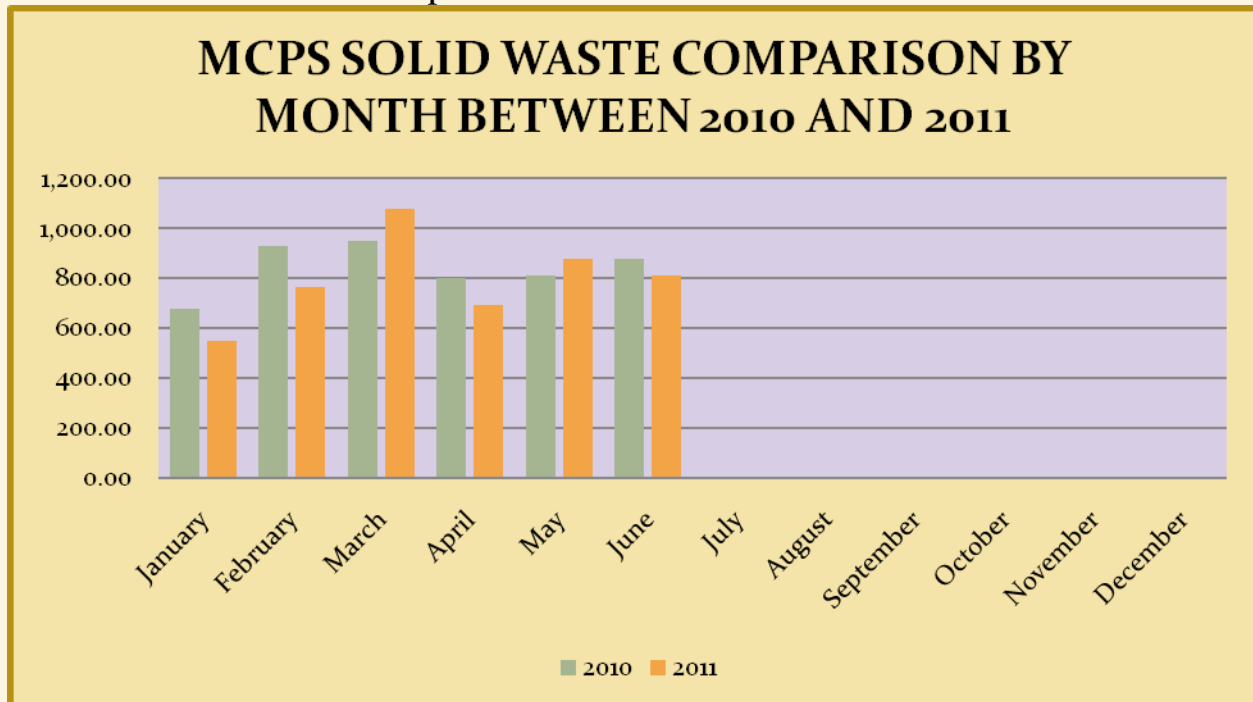
Yard Waste recycling

Montgomery County requires that all residents and businesses recycle paper, bottles/cans, metal and yard waste. MCPS recycles all four streams of recyclables in addition to multiple voluntary recyclables such as ink toner, batteries, tires, used oil, antifreeze, construction & demolition debris, computers, lamps and etc. All yard waste that is generated from schools must be recycled. Place yard waste in a designated area at school and place work order for special pick-up from your respective maintenance depots. All yard waste is taken to Montgomery County Transfer Station and MCPS receives weights that go towards the overall recycling efforts and will help MCPS achieve 50% recycling rate.

Getting ready for first day of school...

- Summer is a good time to access your recycling infrastructure in preparation for first day of school.
- If you are in need of replacing worn out or damaged interior recycling bins, please place an order in MAXIMO using “grounds” code.
- Please contact John Meyer or Richard Benjamin if you need assistance in determining infrastructure needs or placing MAXIMO order.
- You may view available posters, labels, and bins by visiting Recycling web page by selecting the link below:
<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/pdf/maximoorder.pdf>

Solid Waste Reduction Report



Thru month of June, MCPS has reduced 263 TONS of solid waste (trash) compared to the same period last year. Thank you for your individual and collective efforts in reducing solid waste at your school or facility.

Did you know?

- Recycling one ton of paper saves 17 trees. Thru month of April, MCPS has recycled over 1200 TONS of paper, saving over 20,000 trees.
- A plant takes a minimum of 15 to 20 years to grow into a tree, and on an average one tree can yield about 700 paper grocery bags, which will be consumed in less than an hour by a supermarket!
- Energy used to recycle paper is close to 70% less than when paper is prepared using virgin wood and other raw material.