

Guess What?!?!

Beginning Monday, December 7th, the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade science students will be partnering up with TerraCycle to outsmart waste!

Students will be saving their empty food/drink/glue packages/containers and bringing them to science class. All eligible empty food containers will go inside designated plastic bins to be collected in large quantities and mailed to TerraCycle. TerraCycle will pay us \$0.02 per item collected and will send us a check towards the end of the school year. TerraCycle will turn all trash collected into usable recycled items.

Our team name is the Recyclanators and our recycling program will end on April 30th. All the proceeds from this program will directly benefit the junior high team in some way (ex: party to celebrate our recycling efforts). The website is TerraCycle.net Check it out! You can purchase recycled items directly from the website and see what the whole program is about.

Please make sure that all items sent to school are **empty**; we have to be sure that juice pouches are “sucked dry”, chip and cereal bags are free of crumbs, candy wrappers do not have chocolate leftovers, and glue containers are not sticky or leaking glue residue. We have taken precautions against bugs by using plastic storage bins lined with trash bags, but we don’t want any insects to be tempted. Also, try to open packages carefully. TerraCycle appreciates packages that still have the names/logos in tact-it makes it easier to create the recycled products.

The following are the items we have signed up to collect and examples of the products they are recycled into (to be reused instead of sitting in a landfill somewhere):



Capri Sun and Honest Kids Juice Pouches



ANY Frito-Lay Brand Bags of Chips (any size: snack, regular, super)



Elmer's Brand Glue Sticks or Liquid Glue Containers → Money for the Recyclanators



ANY Mars/Wrigley Brand Candy/Gum Wrappers (any size: fun, regular, king)



Scotch Tape



Malt-O-Meal Cereal Bags

The Recyclanators are excited to begin doing their part to “outsmart waste.” Please note that this program is NOT asking that special purchases be made-just to collect these packages. If the above items are already a part of your family’s shopping list-- **great**-send in the empty packages. If not--**please do not** take this program as a requirement to change your grocery/everyday purchases.

Every one item recycled is better than none at all!

Thank you,

Ms. McMillan and the Recyclanators ☺