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RECYCLE MANIA '04 !!



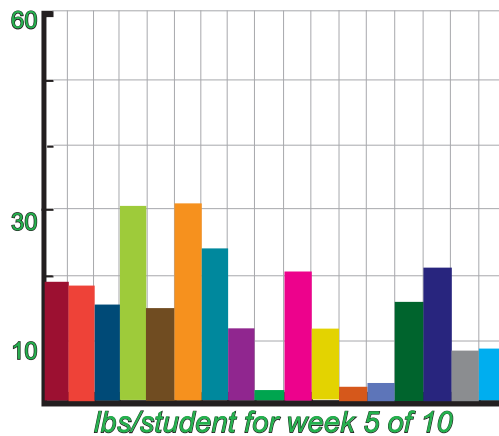
WHAT IS RECYCLE MANIA?

▶ Recycle Mania '04 is a recycling competition among seventeen schools that have some of the top recycling programs in the nation. Schools will compete to see whose students recycle the most in residence halls, on-campus apartments and in dining halls over 9 of the 10 weeks between February 2nd and April 6th (each school excluding their respective spring break week).

▶ Measurements are being reported on a weekly basis in pounds recycled per student (lbs/students) living on campus. The University that has recycled the most per student at the end of the 10 weeks wins.

▶ The winner will receive a Recycle Mania trophy and a half page advertisement in the newspapers of the other universities. More importantly, the schools who participate are helping lead others to greater accomplishments in recycling and waste management.

▶ Overall, this event will show that all seventeen universities are making achievements in recycling and waste reduction. Green Practices hopes that Carnegie Mellon's participation in Recycle Mania this year will increase student awareness and participation in campus recycling and display Carnegie Mellon's commitment to environmental sustainability. It will also help highlight areas that we need to improve in our waste and recycling practices throughout the campus community.



WHAT CAN I DO?

▶ You can recycle as you normally would during the rest of the year. That's right, this is your chance to win a competition for doing what you always do! Maybe you're thinking, 'Well I don't do much recycling; there aren't bins around, and I'm not sure what's ok to recycle.' In that case, check the back of this Green Scene—it's a guide to what can and can not be recycled on campus.

▶ New bins for recycling paper have been added in campus residence halls. The new bins are next to the existing recycling bins except in Morewood, where they are in the lounges.

▶ The standard plastic, glass, and aluminum bins remain next to the trash. So use the bins at home and in the UC—clean out your files, dispose of your roommate's bottle collection, and recycle that can tower. As always, bring your more specialized items, such as cds, transparencies, etc., to the Green Room.

How are we matching up?

CMU	Villanova
Harvard	S. Missouri S.U.
Yale	U. Arizona
Dartmouth	Brigham Young
Brown	U. Vermont
Miami	the Five Colleges
Ohio U.	Arizona State
W. Michigan	Ohio State
Washington	

To see the latest Recycle Mania results, check out the updated graphs in the display cases opposite the mailboxes in the UC basement. **Let's make it to the top 5!**

HOW DID RECYCLE MANIA START?

▶ Recycle Mania began in February 2001 when Ohio University and Miami University (of Ohio) decided to challenge each other to increase recycling in the residence and dining halls on their campuses. That first year Miami U. won with 41.2 lbs/student over Ohio U. (32.6 lbs/student).

▶ Bowling Green U. held the title last year (52.5 lbs/student), followed by Oregon University (51.38 lbs/student), and Miami University (48.9 lbs/student).

▶ This year Carnegie Mellon joins the competition along with ten other new schools: Villanova University, Yale University, Southwest Missouri State University, University of Arizona, Dartmouth College, Brown University, Brigham Young University, University of Vermont, Five Colleges Recycling, and Arizona State University.



RECYCLING GUIDELINES

Paper _____

Mixed office paper can be recycled by taking these items to the recycling bins located throughout campus and housing. Paper should be free of paper clips and other contaminants such as excessive tape or glue. Staples may remain. Shredded paper can be recycled in separate bags.




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| white and colored paper | cash machine transaction receipts |
| white and colored envelopes | NCR/carbon-less forms |
| CMU phone directories | post-it notes/envelopes |
| booklets/manuals | soft-covered books w/ white pages |
| fax/telex copy paper | manilla folders |
| greeting cards | adding machine tape |
| tab/time cards | |

Cardboard _____

Flatten cardboard. No pizza boxes. No packing materials. Corrugated cardboard should be placed beside the recycling bins in your area. Students can place cardboard in the recycling dumpsters located outside most residence halls.

Plastic _____

#1 and #2 only. Plastic bottles and food containers should be thrown into beverage recycling containers with cans and glass. Rinse food residues. Labels need not be removed.

-  **plastic bottles (beverage) PET**
-  **plastic bottles (beverage) PETE**
-  **(Milk and Food Containers) HDPE**

Glass _____

Glass containers should be rinsed. Remove lids. Labels need not be removed. Glass should be thrown into beverage recycling containers with plastic cans and bottles.

clear, brown, green, and blue containers

Metal _____

Cans should be thrown into beverage recycling containers with glass and plastic bottles. Rinse food residues.

- aluminum**
- steel**
- bi-metal (tin) cans**

Other recyclable items _____

Pick up a postage paid envelope in the library to send in ink-jet cartridges

ink-jet cartridges

Drop off toner cartridges at Computer Operations (Cyert 100)

toner cartridges

Take the following to the Recycling Center in the UC or send in campus mail to FMS Recycling:

compact disks

transparencies

Batteries can be recycled at the UC Info Desk or sent in campus mail to FMS Recycling

nicad, lithium-ion, nickel metal-hydrate, and alkaline batteries

See EH&S web-site at www.cmu.edu/ehs/ to recycle the following items:

lead-acid batteries

fluorescent light bulbs

computers and monitors

aerosol cans and paint cans

More good stuff _____

clothing and other items: Circle K collects these at the end of the year for donation to Goodwill

styrofoam peanuts: bring to Mailboxes Etc. on Craig Street

newspapers & magazines: keep separate, specially marked bins coming soon

phone books: keep separate, may be stacked next to your paper recycling bin

NON-Recyclable Materials _____

All of these items should be put into the proper trash receptacle. Please do not place these items in the recycling receptacles. Trash is not sorted from recycling bins and "contaminated" recyclables will be thrown away.

- paper with food waste**
- magazines**
- pizza boxes**
- blueprints**
- soiled or wet paper**
- hard covered books**
- tissues**

- paper towels**
- carbon paper**
- brown paper lunch bags**
- polystyrene coffee cups**
- wraps from paper reams**
- cellophane**
- gold kraft paper envelopes**

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