



**LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM**

TITLE: Update to Rubbish and Recycling Services Program

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ROUTING

All Locations

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide information to schools and other support facilities regarding upcoming changes to the District's rubbish collection and recycling programs.

MAJOR CHANGES: Effective immediately, the District has contracted with a new rubbish vendor.

GUIDELINES: The following guidelines apply.

In December 2011, LAUSD awarded a District-wide rubbish collection and recycling services contract to Consolidated Disposal Service, LLC, which is a subsidiary of Republic Services, Inc. Under the direction of the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS), this contract will provide support to the District in an effort to divert more of its waste stream from landfills by: 1) launching a renewed effort to increase recycling throughout the District; and 2) introducing composting programs at select schools. Starting in late January 2012, a Recycling Outreach Team will be visiting schools and other District facilities to discuss their current rubbish service and the opportunity to increase recycling in the classrooms, staff offices, cafeterias, operations facilities and Local District offices.

The benefits of participating in this *free* program include:

- Shifting 20% of trash to recyclables as per LAUSD mandate;
- Complying with a LAUSD Board of Education Resolution on Waste



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- Reduction and Recycling, which was adopted in December 2003;
- Reducing the environmental footprint of each facility; and
- Being part of this District-wide recycling effort!

Schools and other District sites can expect the following as part of this program:

- New contact information to answer concerns and issues regarding rubbish and recycling pick-ups (bins, scheduling, etc.) -- **the new telephone number for bin requests, service, and information is: (213) 241-3955, or fax documents to (213) 241-6821.**
- Optimization of the number of rubbish and recycling bins present on site; and
- Website access through OEHS for better customer service.

There is **NO** action required of site staff to initiate this program, and there will be **NO** disruption in school calendars or of rubbish collection during the transition period.

The Recycling Outreach Team looks forward to meeting with site representatives in the next few weeks regarding your rubbish pick-up and recycling service, and thanks you in advance for your efforts to help the District achieve a more environmentally sustainable position within our communities.

RELATED RESOURCES: LAUSD Board of Education Resolution: *Waste Reduction and Recycling*. Presented for Action and Adopted on December 9, 2003.

ASSISTANCE: For assistance or further information please contact the Office of Environmental Health and Safety Waste Management Coordinator at (213) 241-3955.