

## NOTICE: State laws require public schools to recycle and compost

Under State of California law AB 341, most businesses and institutions are required to **recycle**. Beginning September 15, 2020, State law AB 1826 will require all businesses and institutions, including public schools, that generate two or more cubic yards of solid waste per week (garbage and recycling service volumes combined) to also have **organics** collection service for compostable materials such as food scraps, food-soiled paper, and plant debris.

To set up recycling and/or organics collection service, contact your solid waste provider.

Materials that must be **COMPOSTED** include: food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, non-hazardous wood waste, and food-soiled paper.

Materials that must be **RECYCLED** include bottles, cans, paper, and cardboard.

Additionally, State law AB 827 went into effect July 1, 2020 and requires most businesses and institutions, including public schools, to provide recycling and/or composting containers adjacent to each garbage container. Bins must be clearly labeled with educational signs.

For more information about the State composting and recycling laws visit: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/schools.

You can also find free resources and tools for schools at: <a href="www.RecyclingRulesAC.org/schools-support-materials">www.RecyclingRulesAC.org/schools-support-materials</a>.

For additional support, visit StopWaste's School Pages at: <a href="www.stopwaste.org/at-school">www.stopwaste.org/at-school</a> or contact StopWaste's Schools Program Lead, Angelina Vergara at (510) 891-6520 or <a href="www.stopwaste.org">avergara@stopwaste.org</a>.