

Tips for Creating a Waste Reduction Program in Your School

- ▶ Form a committee; elect a coordinator
- ▶ Recruit help
- ▶ Analyze the waste generated
- ▶ Develop a plan, analyze the pros and cons, and then make any adjustments needed

- ▶ Submit a written proposal to the school administration for approval
- ▶ Once it is approved, publicize your program
- ▶ Contact local businesses and recycling companies to get support for your program

- ▶ If your program involves recycling or composting, decide what kind of materials you are going to collect and how you are going to collect them
- ▶ If you plan to compost, determine what you are going to do with the final product

- ▶ If you can't implement your program because you lack school funds, try a fund-raising campaign

- ▶ Find out if other schools in your area have implemented any waste reduction programs
- ▶ If so, find out how those schools run their programs and what the costs and benefits are

- ▶ Educate people about the program and promote it

- ▶ Once your program has started, make sure that it is properly monitored and maintained. Most important, maintain the enthusiasm of your program committee and its participants.

