

# Waste Management at KCVI (& Vanier)

*New for 2012/2013: 3<sup>rd</sup> floor hallway bins are back.  
Signage has been updated & improved.  
Taps to fill water-bottles have been fitted to three of the best fountains. Please use!  
There will be a receptacle for cigarette butts by the 'smokin' bench.'*

*Reminder: There's a recycling cart that you can take to events (e.g. sports events...). Ask for it!!*

*Recycling should work as follows:*

*1. There's a blue box in every classroom & office. Homeforms are responsible for taking recyclables to the Recycling Centre (beside the bookroom). A Tuesday morning announcement will remind classes to do this BUT it can be done whenever necessary. Appoint a volunteer (or volunteers) to do this task on a regular basis or rotate the responsibility. Grant volunteer hours for the semester if necessary. Do the recycling in 2<sup>nd</sup> period (or later) if the classroom is not used during Period A. Recyclables can be taken to the Centre any time of the day. Blue boxes can be used for any recyclable material, but you may want to use it for paper only and have students take drink containers in the recycling bins in the hallways.*



*2. Hallway recycling bins are clearly marked. One is for Plastics & Metals; the other is for paper beverage containers (coffee cups, drink boxes, milk containers). Straws and coffee covers go with plastics. Please ensure drink containers are empty before putting in any bin. If a student would like to add their artistic touch to one of the bins, please see Mr. Saunders - there are blanks!*



*3. Many classrooms have a tiny blue box for dead batteries. When full (or at any time) batteries can be delivered to a red box (Household Hazardous Waste) in one of 4 places:*



- Recycling Centre
- Main Office
- Vanier Office
- Science Office

4. Corrugated cardboard goes into a blue box OR to the Recycling Centre (Please Flatten). Boxboard (e.g. cereal box material, goes with paper).



5. Most classrooms have a Red Paper Tray to hold GOOS-paper (Good-One-Side). Please use it for sketching/quizzes/etc. There are GOOS trays in both of the photocopy areas. Please use as needed! Do not put 'sensitive' pages in the Red Trays.



6. The Recycling Centre has clear signage. Please ensure recyclables get to the right places and return your blue box to its correct classroom (they're numbered).

7. There's a recycling station in the Cafeteria. Please use as labeled!

### FAQ's:

1. What do I do with food waste? Put in garbage, or take home to your compost bin.

2. Why are there no bins to recycle paper in the hallways? Fire Hazard. There's a blue box in every classroom AND office. Please use those.

3. What about Locker Clean-up Days? Ask a teacher to bring out their blue box or use clear plastic bags to collect paper. If you have a lot of paper, bag it in clear plastic bags and take it to the

*Giant Green Bin with the recycling logo on it at the back of the school (Alfred Street Exit). (Ditto for corrugated cardboard, but don't bag it).*

*4. What about Glass? Glass is not recycled at KC. Please reuse any glass bottles or take them home. There is a bin for glass containers in the Recycling Centre, but it either goes to landfill OR is taken home by a volunteer to be recycled via KARC.*

*Other Q's? Please ask! Members of last years 11 Env. Sci. class are versed in what to do.*

### **GOAL:**

*Improve! Most (93%) of what we were tossing into garbage cans last year was actually recyclable. Paper is where we can make the biggest difference - esp. at year end and on locker-clean-out days. Please help out at these events and encourage participation! We can reduce our garbage output significantly - food wrappers are essentially the only materials that NEED to go into garbage cans, so...*