



DISTRICT 5130 PLASTICS CHALLENGE!

Earth Day theme April 22- Planet vs. Plastic

Did You Know.....?

- Americans use over 100 BILLION plastic bags every year? It takes up to a thousand years for this plastic to decompose.
- Since 2013 more plastic has been produced than in the entire 20th century.

Did You Know.....?

- Less than 9% of plastic is recycled. Most of what goes in the blue can goes into landfills.
- By 2050 (same as from 1998 to today) the weight of plastics in the oceans will outweigh sea life.

What Can We Do.....?

1. Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose and Recycle plastics.
2. Be purposeful in daily life; look for where you can substitute anything else (or nothing!) for plastic
3. Support initiatives to ban or levy deposits on single-use plastic

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Join the District 5130 Plastics Challenge!

- Measure how much your household contributes to plastics waste for 1 week
- Try plastic substitution and avoidance strategies that will be shared
- Re-measure usage for a second week; see how much of a reduction you can achieve
- The Plastics Challenge will be insightful, educational and fun!