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## Newbury Elementary Students Hold T.O.L.D.

Newbury, VT –Newbury Elementary School held a Trash On the Lawn Day (T.O.L.D.) on Oct. 31. Two group presentations trained approximately 165 K-6 students how to identify recyclables from actual trash and helped educate the school on how to be compliant with Vermont’s Act 148 – Universal Recycling.

Special Guest Marcus Berry, of Northeast Kingdom Solid Waste Management District, provided an overview of available District resources during the question and answer period. Using typical school trash, NRRA School CLUB Instructor Marc Morgan went through the process of how to identify recycling, composting and trash categories. Each group was given a bag of trash which was then sorted and recycled or reused until all the items were identified. During the sorting process, Mr. Morgan explained where resources come from, what makes “landfills forever” and how to reduce the amount of waste generated.

Approximately 75 lbs. of trash was sorted during the two sessions. The school recently began a composting program. In one month, they diverted more than a ton of food waste to composting. This is a great example of what even a small school can accomplish. The students asked lots of questions and learned that diverting recyclables would save energy, the environment and landfill space. Overall, Newbury Elementary is doing a very good job at diverting its waste. Special thanks to School Principal Chance Lindsley, who was especially helpful.

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**The School Recycling CLUB (The CLUB)** is a program for all schools in New England and is supported by Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA). For students and teachers in grades K-12, the CLUB serves as a centralized organization to become more active in the world of recycling. The CLUB is a fun and innovative way to give kids encouragement, direction and networking possibilities for school recycling programs. For more information visit [www.schoolrecycling.net](http://www.schoolrecycling.net).

**The Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA)** is a proactive, non-profit organization that has worked for over 30 years with its membership to make their recycling programs strong, efficient and financially successful. For more information visit [www.nrra.net](http://www.nrra.net).

**PHOTO 1: Newbury Elementary students assist CLUB Educator Marc Morgan with sorting recycling from trash.**



PHOTO 2: NEK WMD Special Guest Marcus Berry prepares trash for sorting.

