

Food Recovery Programs in K-12 Schools



Sign up for free online seminars

October 13 and 20
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Registration now open!

October 13: Share It - Don't Trash It!

- How schools can contribute to food recovery by setting up Share Tables and collecting left-over food for composting
- Find out more about the EPA Food Recovery Hierarchy
- Let's make the connection between Share Tables and food insecurity facing 47% of Maine's K-12 students
- Get up-to-date information on the USDA and State of Maine rules for Share Tables and Serve vs Offer

October 20: Compost It - Don't Trash It!

- Learn more about the nuts and bolts of setting up, operating and monitoring cafeteria trash sorting programs to collect recyclables and left-over food for composting
- Find out the benefits of recovering left-over food and recyclables from the trash: 70% to 80% reduction in solid waste going to the school dumpster, the potential to save money on hauling costs, left-over food

becomes compost instead of landfill waste, service learning for students and environmental stewardship opportunities for your community

- Worries about odor and storage and other in-house concerns can be real barriers to your program's success. Find out how to overcome the barriers and hear ideas and solutions from schools across the state

Already operating food recovery programs like these at your school? Email us at efc@maine.edu about your school's solutions to the problems your community faced getting started. We'll feature them in the October 20th online seminar, "Compost It – Don't Trash It!"

Useful information for food recovery champions:

- Students, Teachers, Principals and Green Team Advisers
- Food Service and Custodial Staff
- Facility Managers/Directors
- Municipal Recycling/Transfer Station Managers and Staff

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