

Recycling Outreach Gig Harbor High School

Over the course of three weeks, students learned about the true impact of consumer choices and what “waste” means. The students visited their local transfer station, closed landfill, and compost facility. This field experience gave students a first-hand look at their own waste system. In the classroom, students spent time evaluating the choices they make as consumers and the impacts of those choices on the waste stream. This learning was brought to life when students sorted through a day’s worth of their school’s waste. They then took their observations and data from this waste audit and created a campaign to educate their classmates on proper recycling and waste disposal.



Lessons:

- Garbology
- No Time To Waste
- Field Trip to Purdy Transfer Station
- Take It or Leave It
- Packaging Profile
- Bite of the Finite
- Waste to Energy /Landfill Debate

Project:

- During lunch students educated their peers on proper recycling and presented waste audit results

Partnerships:

- LRI
- Peninsula School District
- Pierce County Public Works
- G.H.E.C.O. Environmental Club