

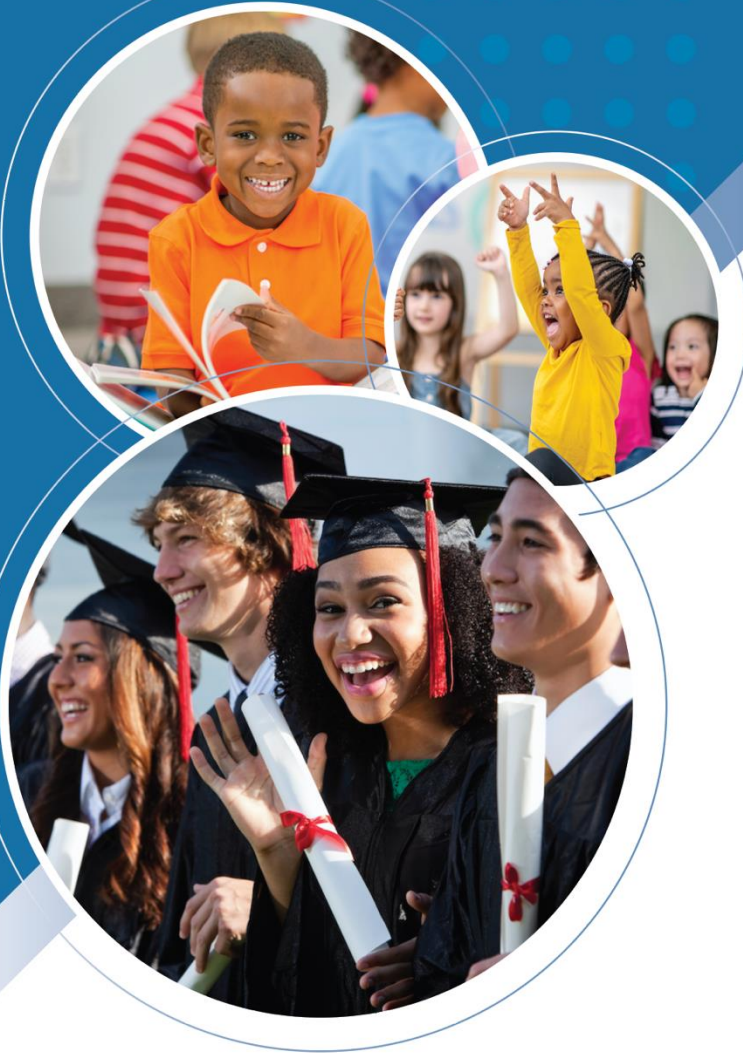


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SWA Committee Meeting Sept. 16, 2026

UPDATE: SWA & BCPS
Recycling Curriculum &
Incentive Roll-Out



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A strong foundation for districtwide implementation

DISTRICT-WIDE SURVEY SUMMARY

- January 2026 Pivot Memo went out with *Recycling Commitment form* and link to the *BCPS Eco Guide*
- Received 128 Responses, from 104 Schools
- **93% of teachers surveyed wanted Recycling Curriculum.** Respondents strongly favor engaging, hands-on resources—especially competitions, art projects, and interactive lessons.



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SUMMER TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING (PL)

- **25 Teachers**, from **20 Schools** participated in a Recycling & Sustainability workshop on June 10, 2026.
- Presented by **3 BCPS Departments**- Grants, Sustainability and Compliance, & Instructional Innovation and Digital Learning and **1 Community Partner**- Coastal Waste & Recycling.

“Great PD [Professional Development] to kick off re-engaging with the recycling programs in our schools and thinking about how we can help to shift the culture of sustainability in our schools!”



The End of Course Feedback Form showed the PL was very well received

Participants “Agreed” that...

- the course content was relevant to their needs and their job (100%)
- the course will change their practice, outlook and/or behavior (100%)
- new learning will positively impact student achievement (100%).
- the information provided will contribute to improve in their job performance (100%).
- they will implement new learning immediately (96%).

Rollout Plan

DISTRICTWIDE ACCESS



September
2026

October
2026

November
2026

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Curriculum Access

All schools and grade levels receive access

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Teacher Communication

Pivot memo to all schools in SWA cities/towns

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School selection

Short list of 26 schools shared with SWA

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Recycling Kit distribution

26 selected schools notified and receive co-branded kits

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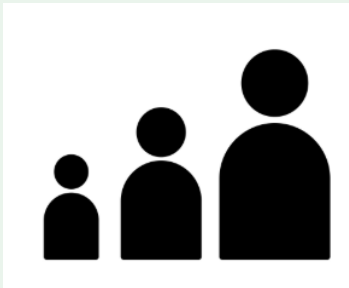
Teacher Training

Teachers of selected schools trained on recycling program implementation.

Recycling Curriculum Overview

Connecting Recycling to Core Learning

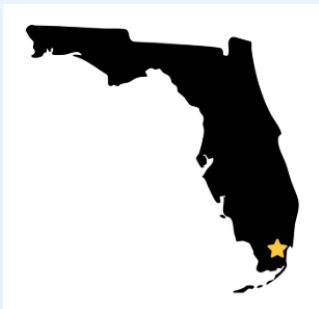
Age-Appropriate



K – 12 Curriculum
broken up into
grade-bands:

- **K-2**
- **3-5**
- **6-8**
- **9-12**

Locally Relevant



**Broward-Specific
Waste Problem
Investigation**

Standards- Aligned



- ELA
- Math
- Science
- S.S.
- Art
- Music
- P.E.
- Debate
- STEM

Family Engagement



**At-Home
Connections** and
challenges for
students to complete
with their families

Additional Activations

Reinforce learning through challenges, clubs, and student leadership.



Quarterly Challenges



Quarterly Challenges available to all BCPS students to engage them in applying what they have learned in the recycling curriculum.

Recycling Club



26 schools from SWA cities will be provided training, supplies, and recognition to develop a scalable model for recycling in Broward Schools.

Student Summit



1,200 Students convene to share learning, promising practices, and ideas for action at the Youth Climate Summit in the Spring 2027.



Pilot Composting Program

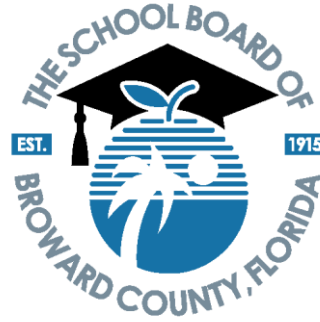
- **4 schools** will be selected to pilot a back-of-the house cafeteria composting program for the 2026 – 2027 school year.
- Goal is to investigate implementation strategies, successes and barriers for potential scaling.
- Funds will be used for supplies, field trips, educational materials, after-hours support and training.



THANK YOU & Q&A

Together, we are preparing students to be informed,
responsible, and empowered stewards of the environment.

QUESTIONS • IDEAS • NEXT STEPS



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