

RUST BELT RIDERS



BBHSD now composts school-wide with RBR! We also host two public food-scrap Drop-Off sites, one at BBHSD Elementary and one at the School Board Office, so your family can compost with RBR at home, too! Every household that signs up to use the public sites at BBHSD directly supports our internal composting program. Our students get to learn about sustainable practices and the cycle of regeneration that happens when we keep food out of the trash so it can be turned back into soil. Keep this flyer on your fridge for a handy list of compostable materials that can go in the bins (see back).

Don't trash your food... *compost it!*

- 1 Sign up** at rustbeltriders.com/dropoff

- 2 Receive** the **lock code**
- 3 Collect your food** scraps at home
- 4 Bring them to** the **bins** to compost!



We make food scraps into soil! **Tilth Soil.com**

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ACCEPTABLE

FOOD WASTE

- Dairy, including cheese rinds, spoiled milk
- Meat, bones (of any size), bacon fat
- Fruits, veggies (with the stickers removed)
- Fish, seafood shells
- Nuts, seeds, pits, and shells
- Eggs and eggshells
- Pizza, pizza boxes (cardboard, ripped into smaller pieces)
- Processed snack foods
- Coffee grounds, filters, & coffee pods (certified)
- Tea, tea bags (staples and tags removed)
- Sweets, including candy, chocolate, cookies, cake
- Grains, including cereal, flour, pasta, rice
- Cooked, baked, prepared foods
- Moldy, spoiled, and expired foods
- Pumpkins (OK during most of the year, but please bring them to our RBR collection event held after Halloween! Otherwise bins fill too fast that week)
- Pet food

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- Flowers, bouquets, houseplants (wires and ribbons removed)
- Toothpicks, popsicle sticks, chopsticks, small wood fruit containers (uncoated, untreated)
- Cotton balls (natural, no bodily fluids or chemicals)
- Raw wool, feathers (natural, undyed)
- Corks (natural)
- Berry containers (blue cardboard/fiberboard)

FOOD-SOILED PAPER & COMPOSTABLES

- Pizza boxes (cardboard, ripped into smaller pieces)
- Egg cartons (uncoated cardboard, labels removed, ripped into smaller pieces)
- Paper towels, napkins, tissues (white or natural, food-soiled only, no bodily fluids or chemicals)
- Toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls (ripped up)
- Newspaper (one or two sheets as a can liner—recycle the rest!)
- Paper bags (brown, uncoated)
- Paper plates (non-glossy only!)
- Compostable plastic bags, liners (certified only)
- Compostable service ware & flatware, takeout containers, cups, plates, forks, etc. (certified only)

UNACCEPTABLE

FOOD WASTE

- Produce stickers
- Cooking oil (in large quantities)
- Wrappers, packaging

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- Yard waste, grass clippings
- Plastic bags
- Pet feces, animal bedding
- Human waste, diapers
- Pills, medications, vitamins, supplements
- Nails, hair (pet or human)
- Q-Tips
- Rubber bands, twist ties
- Styrofoam
- Plastic cups, Straws
- Metal
- Plastic

CONTAMINATED PAPER

- Paper towels contaminated with cleaning chemicals or soap
- Parchment paper, wax paper
- Printer paper, junk mail
- Shredded paper
- Shiny/colorful cardboard boxes

Why Certified Products?

Single-use “compostable” products must be BPI, CMA, or TUV-certified to go in our bins. These are third-party orgs. that vet single-use compostable items to make sure they break down fully and safely in compost piles and do not have any harmful chemicals.

Search online to find products for your event!
e.g. Go to BPIworld.org and search “forks,” and it will generate a list of compostable fork brands.



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Look for the BPI logo

Questions? Don't see your item? Email us at info@rustbeltriders.com