



NexTrex Recycling Challenge

Let's build a bench!



Let's get into it!

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What's the recycling challenge?

Watch a short videos to learn about the recycling we're talking about! Then, learn about the RES challenge!

02.

What can we collect?

Get a bit more information about how we'll collect our plastics - and what exactly can be collected!

03.

How will we keep track?

Learn how we will track our collection, and where you can see our progress!

What's the big idea?

Have you ever seen the plastic bag collection bins at Shaws or another grocery store - or wondered what happens to all of the soft plastic your Amazon orders arrive in?

[Watch this video](#) to get the big idea behind plastic film recycling!



Our school challenge



Collect soft plastic
film from our homes
and school



5th and 6th graders will
weigh it, and teachers
and parents will bring it
to the collection sites



We need to collect a
total of 1,000 pounds
in ONE YEAR!

Official start date: Monday, December 1st!



It's a win-win situation!


RES wins!

When we reach 1,000 pounds of plastic collected and recycled, we'll earn a bench for our school, like the green one by the office! **Where do you think we could put it our new bench?**


The Earth wins!

Plastics are harmful to human and animal habitats, among other problems. Recycling plastics into new materials keeps them out of landfills and ocean dumps.


What can be included?




SOFT plastic
that has a
little bit of
stretch to it




Soft plastic bags
that items
ordered online
come in through
the mail



Wood pellet bags
and stretchy film
that goes around
large construction
materials



Clean, dry food
bags - plastic
grocery bags,
potato bags, bread
bags, ziploc bags,
etc.



Bubble wrap and
other plastic air
bubble packaging
that comes in the
mail



Here's another handy list of what can be included, with pictures!

What can be recycled?

All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue.



Grocery bags



Bread bags



Bubble wrap



Dry cleaning bags



Newspaper sleeves



Ice bags



Plastic shipping envelopes



Ziploc & other reclosable food storage bags



Cereal bags



Case overwrap



Salt bags



Pallet wrap & stretch film



Wood pellet bags



Produce bags



How will we keep track?

Students, teachers and families can put material directly into our big bins: one by the blue wing risers, one at the bottom of the main stairway, and one near the front entrance. Your classroom could also have a collection bag/box, and a volunteer could bring it to the bin, or it could be a classroom job!



5th and 6th graders will collect the plastic from our three bins, and they'll weigh it and take pictures of it. We'll upload our weight measurements and photos to the Trex website.

We'll shade in the weight we collect, so everyone can see the progress! The display will be on the wall next to Ms. Reagan's office!

Make sure your families know about this challenge, so they can help you save plastic at home to bring to our bins!



We're Wizards!

We RESpect our
environment. Let's
work together to
meet this goal!

