



# UPCYCLE IT!

***Turning Trash into Cash for Westford Schools***

As part of Sustainable Westford's "green" mission, we are now collecting non-recyclables to benefit the Westford Public Schools. Through TerraCycle ([www.terracycle.net](http://www.terracycle.net)) we can collect items such as drink pouches, granola bar and candy wrappers, coffee bags, etc. and return them to the company who "upcycles" them into new products – backpacks, pencil cases, etc. TerraCycle will donate 2 cents to the Westford schools for every item we send in. Please help the schools, the planet, and reduce trash by collecting the items listed below.

**Most recent changes are in red.**

## **Drop off locations:**

- Westford Farmers Market – Tuesdays 2:30 – 6:30pm June 21 – Oct 25, 2011
- Starbucks (Littleton Rd., Westford)
- J.V. Fletcher Library (near basement elevators)
- Roudenbush – Main St.
- Many Westford Schools will accept collections as well, check with your school

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**We can only accept wrappers and packaging that once held one of the following items. It matters more what was in the bag or wrapper than the type of material it is made out of.**

## **Drink Pouches:**

What can be collected: ANY brand of foil drink pouch and their straw! No juice boxes.

Examples: Capri Sun, Kool Aid, Honest Kids

Prep:

- 1) cut off top, just above where straw goes
- 2) rinse and dry
- 3) Place in a separate bag

## **Elmer's Glue:**

What can be collected: ANY brand of glue bottle/stick/pen. Glitter glue too.

Prep: Clean as best you can, but don't worry too much. Leave cap ON.

## **Energy Bars**

What can be collected –ANY brand of energy, granola, cereal bar or Rice Krispie Treat. No Pop Tart Wrappers.

Prep: empty crumbs

## **Chip Bags**

What can be collected: ANY empty chip/snack bags, any size. If you find it in the chip aisle of the grocery store, it is considered a chip bag.

Examples: All Frito Lay products, Pita chips, Quaker rice cakes, Tostitos, Pretzels, Fritos, Doritos, Smart Food, Cheetos, SunChips

Prep: empty crumbs

## **Cookie Wrappers**

What can be collected: ANY brand of cookie wrappers – no plastic trays. If you find it in the cookie aisle of the grocery store, it is considered a cookie wrapper.

Examples: Fig Newtons, Oreos, Chips Ahoy, Vienna Fingers, Chips Deluxe 100 calorie snack packs, Animal crackers

Prep:

- 1) Empty crumbs
- 2) Empty plastic trays

## **Candy Wrappers**

What can be collected: ANY brand or size of candy wrappers.

Examples:

Hershey's, Hershey's Flipz, Mars candy bars, chocolate chip bags  
Starburst, Tootsie roll, dum dum lollipop

## **Oral Care Products**

What can be collected: ANY brand of plastic toothpaste tubes, toothbrushes, replaceable toothbrush heads, electric toothbrushes, denture cleaner/adhesive and any plastic packaging (no cardboard)

Prep: Please place the toothbrushes in a separate bag.

## **Writing Instruments**

What can be collected: ANY brand of pen, mechanical pencil, marker, highlighter, dry erase marker, Sharpie, Crayola Twistables etc. – no wooden pencils