



Marking Period 1 Report

Reusable bottle program:

- 315 students (85%) of first to eighth graders brought in a reusable bottle every day and earned the first reward!
- If each of those students brought in just one disposable bottle every day for the first marking period instead of a reusable one, it would have come to 14,175 plastic water bottles!!!
- 14,175 single use water bottles, if lined up, would measure about 1.8 miles (almost the entire length of Ventnor) and would weigh 296 pounds!!!
- 4th and 5th grade had the highest success rate of bringing in their reusable bottles with perfect scores (excluding student absences)

Single Sided Paper collection:

- Elementary office: 6lbs of old single sided paper saved for reuse!
- Elementary copy room: 20lbs of old single sided paper saved for reuse!
- Middle school office: 1lb of old single sided paper saved for reuse!
- Middle school copy room: 19lbs of old single sided paper saved for reuse!
- Marking Period 1 total: 46 pounds!

Printer ink marking period 1:

- John saved approximately 45 pounds of used printer ink cartridges that will be brought to Staples for recycling instead of being thrown out to the landfill!

Beach Cleanups

- 3 beach cleanups so far (Ski Beach, Newport Ave Beach, Suffolk Ave/Somerset Park)
- Grand total of 257lbs of litter (trash and recycling) collected by VECC so far!
- For detailed reports, see my door (room 301) or the green team tab on our website.
- All data was sent to Surfrider National to help advocate for environmental legislation.

Sustainable Jersey for Schools:

- Resolution has been approved by the board!
- VECC Green Team is currently making the final selections of initiatives that will work best for our school and are currently on track to meet the first checkpoint of January 31st