

VALENCIA COLLEGE

# Sustainability Operations Fall 2018

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# Waste & Recycling

# Plastic Writing Instrument & Battery Recycling Program Launched!

- **Collection bins on landfill & recycling bins**
  - One per floor, per building.
  - In general, located at main entrance on first floor and principal entrance on the other floors.
  - Plastic writing instruments and batteries in same bin.



# What's Accepted?

## Plastic Writing Instruments

- Pens
- Mechanical pencils
- Markers (dry erase, permanent, coloring)
- Caps- Pen and Marker
- ***NO wooden or colored pencils.***



## Batteries

- Alkaline (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V)  
**(Bag or tape each individual battery.)**



# Battery Recycling Important Note

- Only alkaline batteries accepted
- **Each *individual* battery must be either:**
  - placed in a bag (provided on side of collection containers)**OR**
  - terminal ends taped
- Why? Prevents current transfer.
  - Most important for 9V
- Have lots of batteries to recycle?

# A Big Thanks!

Thank you Richard Weinsier, Nardia Cumberbatch, Nelson Torres, Lisa Macon, and Aaron Powell for inspiring this program!

# Blue Bags in Recycling Bins- Rolling Out

- Roll-out complete by Thanksgiving Break



# Recycling Industry

- China and National Sword
- Back to Basics
  - No wishful recycling- When in doubt, throw it out.
  - Clean!
  - Using contamination feedback to improve our processes



# Energy

- Building Scheduling Transfer
- City of Orlando- Building Energy & Water Efficiency Strategy (BEWES)
- On the Horizon- Utilities and accessible data for Plant Ops

# Transportation

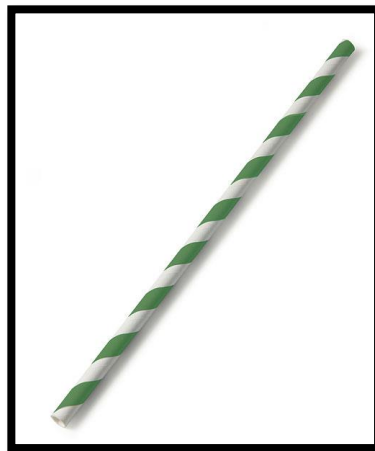
- Transportation Goals Development Workshop
- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations-
  - Creating a College-wide Policy
  - Exploring new installation locations

# Grounds

- Tree Campus USA (TCUSA)
  - 12” caliper or larger living tree or grove of four or more living trees- Must be reviewed by TCUSA Committee
- Landscape Master Plan
  - Starting at the Osceola Campus

# Food

- Paper Straws
  - Available in all cafeteria operations
  - Kudos to Jeffrey Filko, Director of Auxiliary Services
  - Waste Hierarchy- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



# Questions?

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