

## RUMSON – FAIR HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

### WASTE AUDIT ANALYSIS

Listed below are observations made while performing a walk through at the school facilities, collection and disposal areas. This analysis is broken down into two parts. One is the disposal and collection of generated solid waste inside the school. The second is the collection and disposal of collected trash and recyclable materials at the end of the school day.

#### **Part One – Inside School Disposal and Collection of Generated Solid Waste**

- ✓ It appears classrooms have one container for the collection of trash and one container for mixed paper
- ✓ Observed contamination of paper being mixed with trash in classrooms. Amount of contamination varied from classroom to classroom
- ✓ Office areas have a container for the collection of trash, mixed paper, bottles and cans
- ✓ Observed some contamination of paper mixed with trash
- ✓ Some containers are identified with labels, some are not labeled
- ✓ Some areas have trash and recycling containers place together and some areas have them separated
- ✓ We did not get to observe the teacher's room
- ✓ The school cafeteria has containers for the collection of trash, bottles and cans.
- ✓ These containers were already clean at the time of our walk through, but custodians mentioned they have some difficulties in getting students to cooperate in using the correct containers for trash, bottles and cans during lunch periods
- ✓ It appears the private cleaning service collects trash and recyclable materials at the end of the school day needs instructions to keep trash and recyclable materials separate from each other.
- ✓ The school has large trash and bottle and can recycling containers that are located in designated areas throughout the school. This is an excellent method which provides everyone the ability to make a choice to properly dispose of trash and recyclables
- ✓ Daytime custodians appear to have a good understanding of the school's solid waste management program

#### **Part 2 – Outside Disposal Area for Trash and Recyclable Materials**

- ✓ Observed mixed paper, bottles and cans mixed with trash in the trash disposal dumpsters
- ✓ Recyclable materials mixed in with the trash appear to be a combination of mixed recyclables with the trash from the classrooms and offices. Also, during the collection process the cleaning service is mixing trash and source separated recyclables together.
- ✓ The school appears to be doing a very good job in recovering cardboard
- ✓ The outside collection and disposal area is well maintained and clean