

Recycling 101 – WPC Style

1. Metro Recycling:

a. Fun facts;

- i. Contamination is an alarming 46% in the Recycle Bin for Nashville
- ii. The top contaminants for Davidson county are Styrofoam, Food residue, Plastic bags
-DUMP THE ITEMS FREE IN THE BLACK BIN – DON'T ADD YOUR BAG
- iii. Only plastics with a :



or



can be recycled, and not all of those (see below)

b. WHAT TO INCLUDE:

- Most Paper:



- Most Cardboard:



- You can tear the lid off the pizza box if it has no grease!!!

- Aluminum and Metal Food Cans



- Even the lids can go in
 - Mixed aluminum/paper or plastic containers can't go in
- Plastic Bowls, Jars, Jugs



• Rinse them out: Put the lids back on!

c. Anything below doesn't go!: **No glass**



OOPS!

Leave these out to RECYCLE RIGHT



When in doubt? THROW IT OUT!

2. Where to go with what Metro Doesn't Take through the Recycle Bin:

- a. **Glass:** Hillsboro High
- b. **Plastic bags:** Any grocery store
- c. **Styrofoam:** Publix – Has to be Clean!!
- d. **Fluorescent bulbs:** Lowes
- e. **Rechargeable batteries:** Lowe's
- f. **Electronics:** Best Buy
- g. **Printer Ink cartridges:** Office Max, Staples, Target
- h. **Non-rechargeable batteries:** Batteries Plus Bulbs

3. What about hazardous waste?

- a. **GO HERE:** <https://www.nashville.gov/Public-Works/Waste-and-Recycling/Household-Hazardous-Waste.aspx>

4. What about yard waste?

- a. **COMPOST IT:** Check out WPC's composting sheet : (URL for WPC compost sheet here)

5. Think you know it all? Take the Quiz:

- a. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScR84xNvCyHzswDVljZVGJf5Amyq0c3lCbWJkklWtWe-Zwg/viewform>

6. Want to know more?

- a. WPLN . org recycling explained. <https://wpln.org/post/curious-nashville-weve-answered-most-of-your-questions-about-recycling/>
- b. <https://www.tectn.org/recycletennessee.html>