

Star Group Sustainability

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Star Group is helping make Jemicy a more sustainable school. First, the extraordinary Star Group science classes recycle every Friday. When we recycle, all Jemicy students have to think about what we put into the blue bins in each classroom. We recycle plastic bottles, juice boxes, soda cans, clean cardboard, bottle caps, and drink cartons. Each week the trash company picks it up and brings it to the recycling facility. Second, we compost the leftover food that we don't want to eat. We compost unwanted fruits and veggies, the bread crusts, dirty napkins, and tea bags. We can't compost meat, dairy, processed, oily, and spicy foods. Before lunch is over some of the teachers or the brilliant students come around with a bowl to put compost in. We encourage kids to take home uneaten food to save. Last, we use TerraCycle, and we collect chip bags and juice pouches. First, we collect the pouches and make sure they are empty. Then we ship them off to TerraCycle in Trenton, New Jersey. Then they upcycle them into book bags and other things. With the excess, they chop up the plastic and recycle it to make benches, planters, and picnic tables out of them. People always want to save the earth, and Jemicy students are no exception.