

RecycleManiacs include schools of various sizes and types from across the country, such as:

Kalamazoo College
University of Arizona
Mount Holyoke College
Ball State University
Medical University of South Carolina
Princeton University
University of Missouri—Columbia
Ithaca College
University of California, Davis
Emory University

2006 Winners

Grand Champion:
California State University—San Marcos

Per Capita Classic:
Oregon State University

Waste Minimization:
Point Loma Nazarene University

Targeted Materials

Paper: Harvard University

Corrugated Carboard: California State University—San Marcos

Bottles & Cans: Rhode Island School of Design

Food Service Organics: Middlebury College

For More Information

To learn more about how your school can participate in RecycleMania, visit the RecycleMania Web site at www.recyclemaniacs.org.

Become a **Maniac!**

Join the college and university recycling competition that's sweeping the nation!

RecycleMania is endorsed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's WasteWise program, the National Recycling Coalition's College and University Recycling Council (CURC), and the National Wildlife Federation's Campus Ecology Program.



"When RecycleMania season is upon us, the entire university community gets pumped up for recycling. It helps connect the simple act of putting a can in a bin with a sense of collegiate pride. Once that connection is made, the challenge of tying environmental awareness to community pride—and then to global pride—becomes easier."

*—Marcy Bauer, Former Environmental Education Coordinator
Miami University*

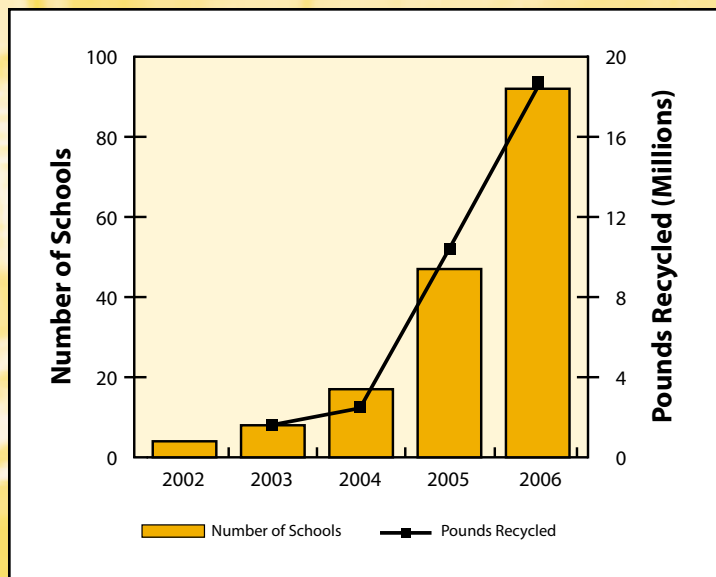
What Is RecycleMania?

RecycleMania is a friendly competition among college and university recycling programs across the United States. During 10 weeks each spring, schools compete in different contests to see which institution can collect the largest amount of recyclables per capita, the largest amount of total recyclables, the least amount of trash per capita, or have the highest recycling rate. Schools report measurements on a weekly basis, and can participate in as many competitions as their program can support. The schools that out-compete the others win the grand prize, taking home the RecycleMania trophy!



RecycleMania began in 2001 as a competition between Ohio University and Miami University of Ohio and has grown tremendously each year:

Growth of RecycleMania



“Understandably, college students tend to pay more attention to their social life and academics than their personal solid waste management. RecycleMania is an attempt to blend these together and move recycling higher up on the importance hierarchy.”

*—Ed Newman, Recycling and Refuse Manager
Ohio University*

How Can RecycleMania Improve Recycling on My Campus?



To learn more about RecycleMania, please visit the Web site at www.recyclemaniacs.org.

- Creates excitement and increases awareness about waste reduction and recycling.
- Unifies the efforts of various campus entities, from the facilities department to student groups—everyone can play a role in helping the campus compete.
- Focuses coordinators' energy on an intensive waste reduction education campaign during the competition, but increases awareness throughout the school year.
- Provides tools and resources to help schools make the most of the competition—such as a listserver, teleconferences, sample posters and signage, use of the RecycleMania logo, and a network of veteran competitors to serve as mentors.
- Offers flexibility to allow schools with various levels of recycling programs and campus population to participate.
- Awards national recognition and publicity for participation.

Participation Checklist

- ✓ **Visit** the RecycleMania Web site at www.recyclemaniacs.org to learn more about the competition and the tools and resources available to help you compete.
- ✓ **Review** the online registration form to learn what information you need to collect to participate.
- ✓ **Register** online from September through mid-January at www.recyclemaniacs.org.
- ✓ **Start preparing** for the competition by taking advantage of the RecycleMania listserver and other educational resources on the Web site to help make your participation a success.
- ✓ **Network** with other campus departments and groups that can be helpful to your participation, such as the facilities department, student environmental groups, and residential life.
- ✓ **Work with vendors** to obtain recycling numbers on a weekly basis. If you are a student-run recycling program, RecycleMania encourages you to get support from facilities to help track your recycling numbers.
- ✓ **Get the word out** about your participation in RecycleMania. Create hype by educating and preparing students early.

