Protect our Planet:
Recycling prevents harmful greenhouse gases and toxic chemicals from entering our environment and it saves money in landfill tipping fees.

Updated by Haley Mirr, Class of 2013
Why recycle?

Recycling:

- Saves Energy
- Conserves Natural Resources
- Reduces the Amount of Waste In Landfills
- Environmental Protection & Reduced Pollution

Sustainable Colgate

THREE STEPS FOR WASTE MINIMIZATION:

1. REDUCE

Reconsider the stuff you buy, but rarely need. Buying less and experiencing more is a good guideline for a healthier planet and a happier you. The average product we consume contains only about 5% of the resources and energy that went into manufacturing and transporting it. The other 95% is waste. We can do a lot to reduce the waste we produce by reducing unnecessary consumption.

2. REUSE

Always consider donating your old or unwanted items before throwing them away. There are many options. Check out GateSwap (www.gateswap.com) – an online portal to sell or donate a variety of items and services. GateSwap is specific to the Colgate Community. Also, consider joining Nextdoor Hamilton (https://nextdoor.com/) or posting your items on Craigslist or any of the other online tools to find your items and good second home. Not into the online thing, then drop your clothing off at Worn Again Clothing at Parry’s in Hamilton or donate them to local charities through the COVE’s end of the year move out salvage program.

3. RECYCLE

Recycling preserves precious resources, avoids building new landfills, conserves energy, and reduces water pollution, air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change. At Colgate, take a moment to place your recyclable items (i.e. glass, plastic containers and bottles, metal cans, paper products, cardboard, and electronic waste) in the correct bin. Not sure where to recycle an old item? Check out Earth911 (http://earth911.com/) to find a recycling location near you for nearly any item you can think of.
Recycling at Colgate:

Colgate takes Recycling seriously!

What happens to your recyclables after you put them in the recycle bin? Our custodians collect them and bring them to a central location where our Colgate recycling truck picks them up. Colgate’s recycling truck has two compartments – one for glass, plastic, and bottles, and another for paper and paper products. The Colgate truck then brings our recyclables to the Madison County recycling center only 20 miles from campus.

Since 2008, we have reduced our landfill waste by over 175 tons (or 19%) while our recycling rate has improved by 6% (to 22% in 2012). Last year represented the 5th year in a row where our per capita waste declined (from 56 lbs. per person in 2008 to 44 lbs. per person in 2012).

This steady progress is a result of:

- improved recycling infrastructure including recycling bins in each student room;
- a new electronic waste (e-waste) recycling program with over 16 stations located throughout campus;
- a new on-campus composting program led by the Compost Club (a dedicated group of student leaders);
- improved behaviors led by many dedicated individuals across campus and organized through our Green Living and Green Office Programs.

Recycling is as easy as 1,2,3 = 3 separate bins!

1. One for paper and paper products
2. One for plastic, glass & cans
3. One bin for landfill trash
E-Waste Recycling:

Colgate recycles all electronic waste. It is NYS law!

Large electronic devices including, computers, monitors, televisions, and printers are recycled through Colgate’s Salvage program. Contact Craig Blanchard - Inventory/Salvage Operations Coordinator:

Phone: 315 228 7485; Email: Cblanchard@mail.colgate.edu.

Small electronic devices such as iPods, cell phones, CDs, DVDs, digital cameras, calculators, cables and cords, etc. can be recycled in anyone of our e-Waste recycling bins located around campus (see map on next page).

BATTERIES*

Batteries can also be recycled. Collect alkaline batteries, tape their ends and put them in a container. Once your container is full, bring it to the Environmental Health & Safety Office (subbasement of McGregor - room SB4).

PRINTER CARTRIDGES:

If you have any printer cartridges, check with your R.A. or your administrative assistant where they can be recycled. Printer cartridges are also recycled at The Department of Economics Office (222 Persson Hall).

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT (CFLs) BULBS:

We encourage the use of Compact Fluorescent Bulbs. They last 10x’s longer than incandescent bulbs, use 75% less energy, and save money. Please don’t throw these bulbs away; wrap them in paper and give them to your custodian.

*Note: Only alkaline batteries can be placed together. Nickel-Metal Hydride (NiMH), Oxide, Nickel-Cadmium (NiCad), Lithium, or Zinc Chloride batteries should NOT be put with alkaline batteries. You can bring these separately to the Environmental Health & Safety Office. If you have any questions call 315-228-7994.
Battery Recycling Station Locations

1. O'Connor Student Center (COOP) - E-waste station
2. Ho Science Center - ENST Office, 2nd floor mail room
3. McGregor Hall - EHS Office
4. Merrill House - Garden Level kitchen
5. J.B. Colgate - Admissions
6. Case-Geyer Library - ITS 3rd floor
7. Persson Hall - Room 222
8. Frank Dining Hall - Front entrance
9. Dana Arts Center - Brehmer Theater’s main entrance
10. Bryan Complex - Edge Cafe near kitchen
11. Huntington Gym - Hallway near student women’s locker room
12. Reid Athletic Center - Recycling station next to office
13. Parker Apartments - Commons
14. Lathrop Hall (Cove) - Cove main office area
15. Lawrence Hall - Keck Center

Colgate University
13 Oak Drive
Hamilton, NY 13346
(315) 228-1000
RecycleMania at Colgate

This year Colgate University is competing in RecycleMania.

RecycleMania is a friendly competition between hundreds of colleges and universities each year to promote waste reduction and increase recycling. Over a 10-week period, starting each February, schools report recycling and trash data which are then ranked according to who collects 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.

For more information visit:
http://www.recyclemaniacs.org

Or contact:
John Pumilio, Director of Sustainability
Lathrop 109L;
Phone: 315.228.6487;
Email: jpumilio@colgate.edu
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**UPDATE!**
Pots and pans can now be recycled. Bundle together and place in or near recycle bin!
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Composting is an important way to reduce landfill waste. The university currently composes all pre-consumer food scraps at Frank Dining Hall with plans to expand. Our on-campus composting facility – located adjacent to Tyler’s Field – has been in operation for a few years now.

Many of the chefs and student residents on Broad St. are equipped with composting bins. When these bins fill up, they simply call x7145 for pickup.

In addition to our main compost facility, multiple smaller composting systems exist at Colgate. Event coordinators and off-campus residents collect food waste at their events or in their kitchens and deliver them to the LOJ (70 Broad St.) or the Colgate Community Garden (adjacent to Newell Apt #4).

Composting Drop Offs:
• The Loj (70 Broad St.)
• 110 Broad
• Theta Chi
• Kappa Kappa Gamma
• Beta Theta Pi
• The Garden (By Newell Apartment)

Contact Information:
Colgate Composting Club: Sarah Barranes ‘14 (sbarranes@colgate.edu)
Composting Coordinator: Haley Mirr ‘13 (hmirr@colgate.edu)
Sustainability Office: sustainability@colgate.edu
NO:  
NO MEAT!  
NO DAIRY!  
NO BUTTER!  
NO MAYO!  
NO BREAD!

YES:  
COFFEE GROUNDS  
COFFEE FILTERS  
NEWSPAPERS  
PAPER TOWELS  
ALL FRUITS  
ALL VEGETABLES

... it’s a down to earth solution!
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Visit our Website:
www.colgate.edu/green

Additional Resources:

Regional Computer Recycling and Recovery:
http://www.ewaste.com/index.php

Environmental Protection Agency - Environmental Factoids:
http://www.epa.gov/osw/partnerships/wastewise/wrr/factoid.htm

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