



Welcome to the seventh edition of the GC Green Newsletter!

This is a monthly newsletter that features recycling information, going green events, how to get involved on campus, and all things green. A new edition is sent out on the last day of each month. This edition covers what we did in September and what to look forward to next month. Stay tuned for October's edition!

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# Food Waste Weigh-In

On Monday, September 25, the Office of Sustainability joined forces with the dining hall staff at the MAX to perform a food waste weigh-in. We collected food waste from 5:30-7:30 pm, during the dinner-time rush. As students finish eating, they typically place their dishes on the conveyor belt at the dish return. From there, the dining hall staff discards any uneaten food and napkins into the trash. For the weigh-in, we intercepted their plates and scraped their food waste into the compost bins right in front of the students. From there, we weighed and composted the food waste. The food waste weighed 95.2 pounds! This event was a valuable way to show students just how much food is wasted with a powerful visual representation and a reminder to be mindful of how much food is being wasted and how many families are affected by food insecurity.



# Composting Resumes

The food waste weigh-in marks the first collection of the school year of waste from the MAX for composting. The compost site was up and running last semester, but took a hiatus over the summer. The compost site is located near West Campus. Samples from last year's compost piles were just sent in for chemical testing to ensure the quality of the compost. Once the quality is confirmed, the compost will be used at the West Campus Garden.





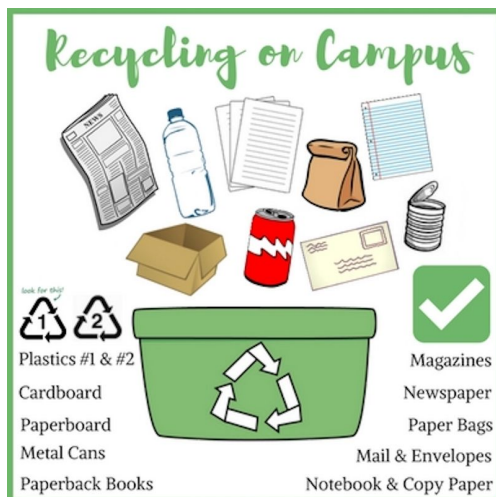
# Earth Action Team

Earth Action Team kicked off the semester with its first meeting on Thursday, September 28th. Meetings will be held as needed, in Atkinson Hall Room 106 at 7pm. Like the GC Earth Action Team Facebook page [here](#), and join their Facebook group [here](#). As the group gets up and running again, they will be creating other social media accounts. We will keep you updated on how to get connected with the Earth Action Team!



## Recycling on Campus

As the school year resumes, here's a friendly reminder of how to recycle on campus!



## Events in October

### Looking ahead!

October 2nd - World Habitat Day

October 16th - World Food Day

October 22nd - World Planting Day