

Memorandum

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**Subject: Transmittal of Initial Observations and Recommendations
Regarding Reductions in Pickup Frequency at Elementary School Sites
DJUSD RISE Program**

This transmittal memorandum was prepared by RCC Group, LLC (RCC) to provide initial observations on the Davis Joint Unified School District (DJUSD) "Recycling Is Simply Elementary" (RISE) Program. In addition, this memorandum presents a recommendation to reduce the pickup frequency of solid waste bins at the elementary school site.

Preliminary Observations of RISE Program

The initial examination and subsequent evaluation considers current school year population data compiled by the DJUSD. The principal assumption in any recycling evaluation is that the total number of children and staff are grouped together and termed "individuals" at any particular school or DJUSD location.

In addition, the recommendation includes the observations and recommendations of Mr. John Geisler, of Davis Waste Removal (DWR). The initial evaluation and proposed reductions in pickup frequency are based on current reductions in solid waste observed in first 8-weeks of school year 2003-2004.

To achieve significant reductions in sanitation costs at these DJUSD locations, it is recommended that the RISE solid waste recycling programs be continued. It has been a pleasure to observe the Recycling Coordinators convey great enthusiasm for the Program goals and objective, and the subsequent positive impacts on the students and staff.

DJUSD RISE PROGRAM

Proposed Solid Waste Pickup Schedule Beginning: Week 9

Based on a review and assessment of the recycling programs at these DJUSD locations, the following preliminary recommendations are presented:

School Site	School Population	Solid Waste Capacity (#Yards/Week) ¹	Proposed Reductions (#Yards/Week) ²	Schedule of Proposed Bin(s) For Pickup				
				M	T	W	Th	F
Patwin	549	16	10	1	-	2	-	2
Robert E. Willett	632	20	12	1	1	2	-	2
Cesar Chavez	606	16	10	1	-	2	-	2
North Davis	577	20	12	1	1	2	-	2
Valley Oak	672	20	12	1	1	2	-	2
Birch Lane	707	20	12	1	1	2	-	2
Montgomery	538	20	12	1	1	2	-	2
Pioneer	573	20	12	1	1	2	-	2
Fairfield	64	20	12	1	1	2	-	2

Notes: 1) All School Sites have two 2-yard bins for a daily capacity of 4-yards. Currently, two schools are picked up 4 days per week.

2) Proposed reductions in pickup frequency are based on current reductions in solid waste observed in first 8-weeks of school.

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