



## **Raisbeck Aviation High School**

**School District:** Highline

**School Location:** Des Moines

**Began participating in the Green Schools Program:** June 2009

**Level One of the Green Schools Program:** Achieved in May 2011

### **Waste Reduction and Recycling (Level One)**

- Aviation High School increased its recycling rate from 28 percent to 36 percent. This increase was the result of a school-wide program that included classroom, office, hallway, and lunchroom recycling.
- To increase consistency of classroom and hallway recycling collection, Aviation formalized a recycling collection system with teachers and custodians.
- Aviation placed recycling containers in several classrooms and work spaces that previously only had garbage cans.
- The school Ecology Club placed recycling stickers listing what can and can't be recycled on recycling containers throughout the school.
- Student leaders and the Ecology Club conducted multiple outreach and education projects to promote school wide recycling. These projects included posters, classroom presentations, a school-wide assembly, presentations at staff meetings, and recycling audits of every classroom.
- After surveying teachers, the Ecology Club made and delivered reuse bins for all classrooms.
- The school included recycling tips and information in online newsletters to the student body.
- Aviation invited a King County representative to provide a recycling presentation and trivia game at the school-wide Earth Day event.



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## **Awards**

- Aviation High School was honored again by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction for overall academic excellence and for science. Preparing students for college, career, and citizenship includes environmental stewardship.

For more information about this school's participation in the Green Schools Program, contact:

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