Rosa Parks Elementary School

School District: Lake Washington
School Location: Redmond
Began participating in Green Schools Program: February 2019
Level One of the Green Schools Program: Achieved in May 2019

Waste Reduction and Recycling (Level One)

- Rosa Parks Elementary achieved a recycling rate of 46 percent.
- To promote waste reduction and recycling practices, regular reminders were included in school and PTSA newsletters.
- During their social studies, unit, fourth-grade classes hosted a speaker who talked about the impact of climate change on native habitats and people.
- School kitchen employees monitored lunchroom waste disposal stations to help ensure proper sorting.
- The school collected gently used books at its book fair to donate to a nonprofit environmental advocacy group.
- First-grade students used the school garden to learn about nutrition.
- The school replaced its lunchroom disposable trays with reusable, durable trays.