



## HOW TO PACK A ZERO WASTE LUNCH

Your child/student is participating in the Zero Waste Schools Program sponsored by Zero Waste Marin - the Marin Hazardous and Solid Waste Joint Powers Authority (JPA), which is comprised of representatives from all over Marin County.

Our goal is to increase recycling and composting in our schools. We also hope to inspire in students a passion for the environment and arm them with experience and knowledge in the environmental field.

Our intention is to replicate the practices at home with the practices at schools. Our education and signage will match what the hauler in your specific school recycles. In general, we will focus on recycling clean paper, plastics, glass, and metals, while composting leftover food, food soiled napkins, and paper towels.

You can help reduce waste further by helping your child pack a waste free lunch:



Simple suggestions to help get you started:

- Pack a reusable drink container
- Pack a cloth napkin
- Pack reusable utensils
- Use a lunch box or lunch tote
- Avoid plastic wrap and plastic baggies

Here are a few websites to help get you started: <http://www.ukonserve.com/>, <http://www.reuseit.com/>, <http://ecolunchboxes.com/>. There are also less expensive options on amazon.com and at your local Goodwill!

For more information on the Zero Waste Schools Program, please visit [zerowastemarin.org/schools](http://zerowastemarin.org/schools)