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## Zero Waste School Support: Private Schools in Marin

### Overview

Zero Waste Marin, otherwise known as the Marin County Hazardous and Solid Waste Joint Powers Authority, is a governmental agency comprised of the County and 11 cities and towns of Marin that work on waste resource conservation and waste reduction. To improve waste reduction efforts in schools, Zero Waste Marin staff have the following offerings for private schools looking to improve their waste reduction efforts and comply with State-wide waste laws.

### Program Offerings

#### Infrastructure

Zero Waste Marin is able to offer the following infrastructure to private schools in Marin County:

Item(s)	Number Per School Site
Slim Jims – blue, brown, green, or grey	Up to 3 per school
Stickers for labeling	Up to 30 total per school
Trash grabbers	Up to 5 per school

#### On-Site Support

Zero Waste Marin staff are able to offer the following on-site support options as needed:

- A site walk-through to assess current waste systems and infrastructure; it is preferred to do this visit with an administrator and the lead custodian
- One-two 10–15-minute assembly presentations on zero waste and waste sorting
- One-two 10–15-minute staff training for teachers
- Classroom visits to a Green Team or science class for more in-depth education and training
- A waste audit with a student group to examine waste sorting accuracy on campus
- A Certification visit, if desired

#### Compliance with California Waste Laws

Zero Waste Marin staff will be able to explain relevant State-wide waste laws, how they apply to schools, and what schools must do to achieve compliance with these laws.

### Certification

Zero Waste Marin offers the opportunity to participate in a Certification process to both public and private schools. The Certification is a four-tiered recognition of zero waste efforts at school campuses. For private schools, Zero Waste Marin staff will visit the school campus upon request to review the Certification requirements and determine if a school site is eligible to be certified.

Certification requests will be accepted once per school year. We suggest that private schools review the Certification document [on our website](#), so that they are familiar with what we will look for. As listed above, a site walk-through is part of our support offerings, so during a site walk-through staff can offer advice and consultation as needed. We suggest doing this site walk-through before requesting Certification.