

1. I'm most passionate about waterways, sustainable skincare, and farming/gardening practices.
 2. I am good at writing and researching.
 3. I love creating stuff, writing, and researching. I also love reading or learning something new and sharing what I learned.
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1. I have selected recycling.
 2. During lunch every day, lunches are served on cardboard plates. They get thrown out every day when they could be recycled.
 3. I could work with the principal and the lunch ladies to combat this issue.
 4. In middle school, the lunch room had pairs of trash cans. One was for the plates to be recycled and the other was for the nonrecyclables. On these trash cans, we can inspect the packaging that the school food comes in, like the bags of apples slices. Sometimes those bags are recyclable! There are tv's in the cafeteria so for each day's lunch, there can be an ad for what can go in the recycle bin.
 5. Like I mentioned, my middle school did this. At all schools, they do have recycle bins in all the classrooms to encourage recycling, however people don't use it correctly.
 6. I can mention this to the principal and see if she and the lunch ladies would be willing to work with me to set up these recycling bins. Maybe even encourage composting and work with a composting company.

Dear Dr. Orman,

My name is Gabrielle Fugate, I'm a senior here at Eastern. Lunchtime generates the most trash throughout the day. In Environmental Science, I've learned how harmful trash can be for the environment, as it doesn't biodegrade.

I'd like to propose double bins in the lunchrooms. One would be for the cardboard trays and other recyclable items. For the week, we can assess the items being fed to students and see which items come in recyclable packaging. Then, we can post the images on the tv screens so students know which to separate out. In parts of Canada, for every one trash can, they have two recycling bins. This causes people to think about what they are throwing away.

This would limit the amount of trash Eastern High School generates, especially since it has one of the largest student populations in our district. This encouragement of recycling can create sustainable habits in high school students as they are in their most susceptible phase to be shaped. It would also set an example for other schools in our district. This would create conversation about how recycling positively affects the planet.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Gabrielle



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