



“A community partnership that helps build GOOD PEOPLE who DO GOOD things.”

USE THIS TOOL TO ADDRESS YOUR SCHOOL LEADERSHIP: PRINCIPAL, TEACHERS, PTA, AND STUDENT LEADERSHIP WITH AN ADULT HELPER.

WE ALSO RECOMMEND PARTNERING THIS TOOL WITH THE WASTE MANAGEMENT VIDEO TOOL PROVIDED ON ADDYSON'S AP YOUNG STEWARD, ACTIVATION PAGE.

Hi! My name is [YOUR NAME(s) HERE] and I'm a [YOUR GRADE LEVEL] student here at [YOUR SCHOOL HERE]. I am [your age] years old.

I'm reaching out to you today to thank you for all the efforts you make to support [my/our] education and I would like you to consider helping [me/us] take action on our campus, toward an effort that is impacting all of us. We all have a part in the **clean up efforts of plastic pollution**. Waste Management, Consumer Lifestyle and Corporate Responsibility are three ways we can make an impact as communities.

As a child who will inherit this big blue planet, I know I can't tackle all these challenges on my own, but I really care about the health of our oceans, coral reefs, marine animals, beaches and all of our health, and I know plastic pollution is having an impact on the places where I live and play. I also KNOW that we MUST TAKE ACTION NOW.

I would like to ask you to help [me/us] do two things on our campus that will help participate:

- 1) **Host a *Pledge to go #PlasticFree* Challenge on our campus** that offers our students & families resources, (I suggest from the scientists at 5 Gyres Institute), that can help them REDUCE, REUSE & REFUSE plastic, especially the top 5 culprits of plastic pollution: *bags, straws, water bottles and to-go containers & cups*. We can try to go completely waste-free at lunch time as a challenge of the week and have student helpers who sort the trash into *compost, recycle and waste!*
- 2) **Enact an ongoing waste management system for our campus.** I have a video I found to help us! [provide the video found on AP Young Steward Addyson's Waste Management activation initiative.]

I know that your decisions impact the participation our campus efforts are able to make for the health of our beautiful planet earth. I THANK YOU for your leadership on behalf of ALL OF US YOUNG PEOPLE who will be greatly impacted by your decisions. We need more leadership like you, who will enable the ACTION THAT IS NEEDED NOW to REGENERATE a healthy planet and ocean... because without a healthy ocean, we won't have anything to inherit at all.