



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

**USE THIS TOOL TO ADDRESS YOUR SCHOOL & STUDENT LEADERSHIP: PRINCIPAL, TEACHERS, PTA, AND STUDENTS.** WE RECOMMEND PARTNERING THIS TOOL WITH THE ADDYSON'S OTHER TOOLS PROVIDED ON HER 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 **plastic pollution**. Plastic Pollution is a problem because this material never biodegrades. Waste Management, Consumer Lifestyle and Corporate Responsibility are three ways we can make an impact as communities.

As a young person who will inherit this big blue planet, 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] activate Sustainable Solutions on our campus, in the following ways:

- 1) **Host a *Pledge to go #PlasticFree* Challenge on our campus** that offers our students & families resources, like the ones I found on AP Young Steward, Addyson's page. These tools can help us REDUCE, REUSE & REFUSE plastic, especially the top 5 culprits of plastic pollution: *bags, straws, water bottles and to-go containers & cups*. The tools will also assist our effort to go plastic-free, joining a Plastic Pollution Coalition network of other school campus' doing the same!
- 2) **Enact an ongoing waste management system for our campus, inclusive of waste sorting bins.**

Many resources to assist these efforts are available from the AP Young Steward, Addyson's page, which can be a great action starting point for our schoolwide efforts! THANK YOU for your leadership on behalf of ALL OF US YOUNG PEOPLE who will be greatly impacted by the decisions being made now. We need more leadership like you, because plastic is impacting people, planet and animals.