



SERT Flash

School Energy and Recycling Team



Unique Situations – Unique Opportunities – Unique Solutions Edison High School Goes Above and Beyond



“Construction Materials Recycling Center” Made From 100% Recyclable Items

Looking for fun and creative ways to promote recycling at your school? Look no further than what the students and staff are doing at Thomas Edison High School of Technology. SERT Team Leader and Network Operations teacher, Jesse McGee, has installed an atmosphere of teamwork, accountability, and environmental stewardship throughout the school.

Offering unique courses from construction to cosmetology, Edison classrooms are filled with materials not normally found in a typical MCPS school. Although most of these materials can't be recycled in the paper or commingled bins, the staff at Edison has found other ways to recycle or reuse them.

Participating in a program-wide recycling campaign, the Carpentry class built a Construction Materials Recycling Center (pictured above). All other construction programs are responsible for maintaining the center and placing materials in the correct area for removal by SERT to the Montgomery County Recycling Center. Also, the Auto Tech program is recycling all tires, oil, car batteries, and all other parts are either reused or sent back to the manufacturer to be refurbished. Café Edison recycles all of their cooking oil, while the folks in the Network Operations program are eCycling (recycling electronics) and refurbishing used computers.

The SERT program staff would like to extend a sincere “thank you” to all staff and students at Thomas Edison High School who are implementing a culture of conservation and recycling responsibly and creatively.

Do you have a “SERT Flash” you would like to share about your SERT efforts? Please submit a photograph and paragraph about your team and you too can be featured in a future FLASH!

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“It’s your world...choose to conserve”