

Campus Stewardship

Wolf Ridge strives to “walk the talk” and we have programs and policies that work towards this goal.

Recycling Patrol (RP)

While at Wolf Ridge, our groups participate in Recycling Patrol (RP) and Kitchen Patrol (KP). During RP, we ask that a recycling team from your group sort and deposit the recyclables at the outdoor recycling platform located by each dormitory. Students and adults participating in RP eat early and then take out the recycling during the normal meal time. If you bring your own snacks, we ask that you choose items in reusable or recyclable packaging or accept the responsibility of disposing of the trash produced. Most plastic water bottles are made from raw petroleum. Americans consume approximately 85 million bottles of water every day. Please consider using reusable water bottles while here at Wolf Ridge.

Kitchen Patrol (KP)

Each school must provide kitchen patrol helpers (KP). The ratio is one helper for every 15 people in your group; a group of 150 is required to provide ten helpers for each meal. One adult is required to accompany student kitchen patrol. Kitchen patrol helpers should arrive at 7:00 am for breakfast, 11:45 am for lunch, and 4:45 pm for dinner. They will eat first, and then help serve food, pour drinks, and dry dishes. At the end of each meal, KP will get a special treat. Most students love doing KP, and it should not be used as a disciplinary action. Please note KP helpers are required to remain until 8:15am for breakfast, 1:15 pm for lunch, and 6:15 pm for dinner.

Snacks

Our Mac Lodge conforms to the highest international standard for sustainable building, a standard known as the Living Building Challenge. As part of this remodel, we are working to achieve Living Building Certification. The LBC certification challenges us to act on the waste that we produce. To achieve certification Wolf Ridge must reduce the amount of trash we send to the landfill by 90%. Most of the trash generated in the dorms has to do with snacks.

If you bring your own snacks, we ask that you choose items in reusable or recyclable packaging or accept the responsibility of disposing of the trash produced. Please note that we have limited recycling, we can only accept items 1 or 2 in a bottle shape, aluminum cans and glass. If you create a lot of trash we may ask you to take your snack generated trash

back home with you. We encourage you to take home products that we can't recycle at Wolf Ridge but can recycle in your home community. For example, Wolf Ridge is unable to recycle juice boxes or Number 5 water bottles; however, many urban communities can recycle these items.

Rethink the plastic water bottle

Most plastic water bottles are made from raw petroleum. Americans consume approximately 85 million bottles of water every day. Please consider using reusable water bottles while at Wolf Ridge.

Bring your own coffee cup

While we provide limited cups at the coffee station, we recommend that adults bring their own reusable cup.

The Conservation Challenge

This challenge is used to encourage groups to conserve heat, water and electricity, and to recycle. Your liaison will check your dorm section daily and write tickets for those infractions that do not meet the goals of the challenge. Your school will start with 100 points and will lose points for each ticket. Picking up trail trash and bringing it back to your homeroom space can help you redeem points. 10 pieces of trail trash = 1 point. (Trash from snacks handed out during class, or from snacks that you brought with you do not count. It must be trash that was found out on the trails and picked up). Schools who score 100 points or more will receive a conservation challenge plaque for their school.