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Texas Disposal Systems Launches Eco Academy Program in San Angelo

Company introduces curriculum to educate students on composting, recycling and the importance of minimizing waste

SAN ANGELO, Texas (September 25, 2017) – Texas Disposal Systems (TDS), a leading resource management company that helps customers manage and divert waste to beneficial uses, today announced the launch of its Eco Academy program in San Angelo for students at Fort Concho Elementary. The TDS Eco Academy is a program that educates K-12 students about trash, recycling and composting options in their schools and everyday life.

The program was designed to teach the next generation the importance of minimizing waste and equip students with the tools needed to lead green lifestyles. TDS works with more than 336 schools to implement campus-wide recycling, plus compostables collection in cafeterias. The company has been working with Central Texas schools for 13 years to incorporate recycling and composting education, but is expanding and formalizing the process to include a curriculum, supplemental materials, and more. As part of the Eco Academy program, TDS provides curriculum and educational materials to staff and administrators, as well as students, instructing them how to recycle and divert waste, and why it's important.

"TDS is committed to educating the communities it serves in order to raise broader public awareness about the importance of minimizing waste," said Bobby Gregory, co-owner, president and CEO of TDS. "We are excited to introduce Eco Academy in San Angelo and expand our partnership with students and teachers.

Along with a formal curriculum, the TDS Eco Academy program also includes educational videos, classroom signage and other collateral, to make learning fun and enable real world application. Each school's participation is documented and diversion data is made available on the Eco Academy website. With these reports, students and schools can see firsthand how their actions are affecting positive change.

"We're excited and honored to bring the TDS Eco Academy program to our school," said Lori Barton, principal of Fort Concho Elementary. "We share TDS' passion for educating our students on how to live healthy lifestyles and improve the environment, and look forward to making a difference in our community."

Learn more about the TDS Eco Academy and how to get involved at www.tdsecoacademy.org.

About the Texas Disposal Systems Eco Academy

The Texas Disposal Systems (TDS) Eco Academy is a program that educates K-12 students about trash, recycling and composting options in their schools. The program was designed to minimize waste in Central Texas schools, and includes campus-wide recycling, plus compostables collection in cafeterias. TDS provides curriculum and educational materials to staff and administrators, as well as students, instructing them how to recycle and divert waste, and why it's important. Read more about the TDS Eco Academy at www.tdsecoacademy.org.

About Texas Disposal Systems

Texas Disposal Systems is one of the largest independently-owned solid waste collection, processing and disposal companies in the nation. Our fully integrated facility incorporates solid waste disposal, compost production and recycling operations. We provide the highest quality and most environmentally friendly services in the best interests of our customers, employees and the community. Learn more about how TDS helps communities, organizations and schools manage and divert waste to beneficial uses at www.TexasDisposal.com.

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