

Austin ISD – Indoor Waste Bin Specifications

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For use in corridors, common areas, restrooms, and/or cafeterias.

Mixed/Single-stream Recycle Bins

- Color: A universal recycle blue color (e.g. Hex #0000FF R:0, G:0, B:255 or similar).
- Capacity: [Determined by location](#)
- Lid option: Color should match the bin and have a large accessible opening. AISD practices single stream recycling. Thus, there should **not** be slots that make users separate cans/paper/bottles, etc.
- Attached Signage/sticker label: Should be in-color, accommodate as large an image as possible and include permanent and secure attachment. AISD will provide the graphics for the signs.
- Housing or bin connectors: required for bins 20-gallons and larger.

Landfill Bins

- Color: Black
- Capacity: [Determined by location](#)
- Lid option: Color should match the bin and have a large, accessible opening. Campus can request lid options with a smaller accessible opening for landfill bins only.
- Attached Signage/sticker label: Should be in-color, accommodate as large an image as possible and include permanent and secure attachment. AISD will provide the graphics for the signs.
- Housing or bin connectors: required for bins 20-gallons and larger.

Compost Bins – cafeterias, all schools

- Color: A universal compost green color (Hex #229456 R:34, G:148, B:86 or similar)
- Capacity: [Determined by location](#)
- Lid: Color should match the bin and have a large, accessible opening.
- Attached Signage/sticker label: Should be in-color, accommodate as large an image as possible and include permanent and secure attachment. AISD will provide the graphics for the signs.
- Housing or bin connectors: required for bins 20-gallons and larger.

Additional Info

- Co-location: bins shall be co-located to form a waste station with **r**ecycle on the **r**ight and **l**andfill on the **l**eft. In cafeterias where compost is collected, the **c**ompost bin will go in the **c**enter.
- Recycled content: It is preferred that the units be made of recycled content or material that is produced in a sustainable manner.
- The bins must come with a warranty.

Example: Recycle and Landfill (note: AISD prefers mixed recycle to be located on the right and landfill on the left side as you face the waste station)

