



Hey, Orson, do we have to call you “Professor Wells” now? Hey, why not? Recent changes to the recycling industry mean that I need to keep teaching our campus community about proper collection of acceptable recyclable materials.

What are the biggest recycling actions we need to make? We cannot recycle **disposable** plastic items, like salad “clamshell” containers, plastic eating utensils, plastic cold cups or straws, so we need to get serious about using reusable items instead! Well, teach on, Orson! We’re all about learning here at Wells!

How can you help Wells’ recycling efforts? Make sure you **recycle the right things right**, including items generated in kitchens, laundry rooms and bathrooms. Look for these handy reminders of all the items that we **can** still recycle at Wells:

COMMINGLED RECYCLING

TOSS ALL CLEAN & EMPTY RECYCLABLES INTO THIS CONTAINER

CARDBOARD/PAPER



Corrugated Cardboard
(No wax center liners)



Boxboard
(Dry food boxes, egg cartons, & rolls)



Junk Mail, Periodicals, & Office Paper
(Paper toasters, envelopes, & collages)

PLASTIC



Plastic Bottles, Jugs, Tubs, & Lids
(Empty kitchen, laundry, & bath containers)

METAL



Aluminum & Steel Cans
(Trail & empty food & beverage cans)

GLASS



Glass Bottles & Jars
(Empty food & beverage bottles & jars)

Please **don't dump ANY liquids or ice** in recycling **OR** trash bins.

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Arrive curious ✦ Graduate prepared.

SPECIAL HANDLING

What recyclable items must be handled differently and what do you do with them?

E-waste – take non-working or obsolete electronics (phones, computers, cords, etc.) to the IT department in Macmillan Hall and put those items in the **e-waste** collection box for proper recycling.

Bring these items to our recycling station in Zabriskie Hall Room 212:

Plastic bags – shopping bags and other plastic films

Batteries – Recycle **rechargeable batteries** here. Single use alkaline batteries are not (yet) recyclable and can be put in **landfill trash**.

Dead fluorescent bulbs can be left here. LED lamps or incandescent bulbs can safely go in **landfill trash**.

What else **can't** we recycle here that should go into **landfill trash** bins instead?

Food waste (unless you can **compost** it), Used paper towels, paper cups, plates, etc.



Did we “getcha” yet? Redeem your **GOTCHA** card – good for \$1.00 off a beverage purchase - at the **GRIND Café**. Get in the habit of carrying and using your reusable mug - we just might “getcha” with a **GOTCHA!**

“**Installment**” is a double play on words: these informational mini-newsletters are placed inside bathroom cubicles (“**in stalls**”) and the content gets changed out - in “**installments**.”

Get it? Got it? Good!

Before you buy new stuff, check out what we might have available for free in our two campus reuse areas: the newly combined **Food and Freebie** room on the 1st floor of



Main bldg, and the **RUMPUS Room** (for school and office items) found in room 111A in Macmillan Hall.

Both reuse areas were stocked with still-usable items retained from the **Trash2Treasure** move-out collection last May. Lots of great **FREE** stuff! Didn't find what you needed on our campus? Try Cornell University's **Dump and Run** sale, in various storefronts in the **Shops at Ithaca Mall** in Ithaca. This sale is only “on” for a limited time.



Another great on-going option is **Finger Lakes ReUse** in Ithaca. **FLR** offers all sorts of items for your room or office – **CHEAP!!** There are two **FLR** locations: Triphammer Marketplace (2255 N. Triphammer Rd) or the Reuse Center (214 Elmira Road). *But wait, there's more!*

Want to save money on clothing, housewares, costumes, crafts, you name it...? There are other reuse stores near Ithaca. Check out the **Reuse Trail**: <http://reusetrail.com/>



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