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What is ditching disposables - a toolkit for healthier foodware in K-12 schools?

We are excited to announce Ditching Disposables: A Toolkit for Healthier Foodware in K-12 Schools. This toolkit is designed to help K-12 schools make the transition from single-use food service ware (FSW) to healthier, more sustainable alternatives.

Should schools return to reusable utensils?

This case study shows that a return to reusable utensils in schools can reduce both costs and life cycle environmental impact. Moreover, the case study shows that common concerns about reusables - that on-site water and electricity use will undercut environmental benefits - are unfounded.

Should schools use reusable products?

While reusables may not be an immediate option for all schools, it is important to prioritize sustainability and health, and look for ways to eliminate single-use products wherever possible. To read the toolkit, click the image above.

How much would reusable food ware cost a school?

The per student cost for food ware, per year, after three years, was estimated to drop from \$6.95 for disposables to \$2.56 for reusables. This breaks down such that durable bowls would cost the schools \$1,700 more for reusables over three years, while the stainless steel utensils would save the schools over \$26,000.

A new qualitative study in the Journal of Child Nutrition & Management found that reusable serviceware--like trays, cutlery, and bulk condiment dispensers--were widely ...

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Several tips for implementing use of reusables in schools were developed. This case study shows that a return to reusable utensils in schools can be good for the bottom line and the environment.

Public schools in the U.S. generate about 14,500 tons of municipal solid waste daily, and approximately 42% of that is food packaging generated by school foodservice, contributing ...

According to the evaluation system construction in Section 2 for reusable takeaway containers and the comprehensive evaluation ...

To inform our cost-benefit analysis of a reusable container program, we calculated the potential savings of halting disposable container purchases. The first step was to identify current ...

The Conscious Cafeteria Report is a national study of 15 elementary schools across the U.S. that participated in a pilot study to switch to reusable stainless steel trays (and, in some cases, ...

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To improve usage of reusable containers in China, the study suggests that decision-makers adjust promotion strategies to different people, develop reverse systems with a short ...

While there is no "one-size fits all" approach for moving a school or a school district to reusables, we compiled a variety of approaches, perspectives, research, case studies, and experience ...

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