Chicago Plastic Bag Ban

Did you know that Chicago is banning plastic shopping bags?

Beginning August 2015, any store occupying 10,000 square feet, or more, who sells non perishable or perishable goods directly to the customer will be fined for using plastic bags.

Stores affected include, but are not limited to: grocery, clothing, and personal good stores.

This won’t affect restaurants or small independent stores.

For more information: http://bit.ly/1cSMI81

Technology Recycle

Did you know?
The city charges for recycling old electronic devices?

Help us test a pilot program and recycle your electronic devices FOR FREE!

Examples: Old printers, scanners, laptop/desktop computers, cell and landline phones.

Drop off Dates: July 27 - August 7 (bin located in GC250)
For a complete list of accepted items, please visit: http://luc.edu/its/green/

Green Shopping

Buy Smart - Go Green!

Avoid excess packaging and be sure to recycle packaging whenever possible.

Buy used or recycled goods from your local thrift store or shop online to save money and resources!

Share with friends: Swap goods you no longer need with friends and family to reduce waste and share games, movies, and more instead of purchasing new.

Bring your own bags. Many stores even offer small discounts if you bring your own reusable shopping bag for groceries and more!

For more information: http://1.usa.gov/1g39gj8

Get Involved:

Monthly in GC217 @ 12pm

Want to hang out with cool people? Like to create and inspire your coworkers?

Join the ITS Green team for lunch and discussion on current green initiatives.

• 8/12/15
• 9/9/15
• 10/14/15

Join the green team
http://www.luc.edu/its/green/
Composting Update

We won!!!

CHECK OUT OUR TRASH!
Compost contributions from each department are weighed every week. We finished composting for the semester! We'll be starting again in AUGUST.

Don’t be a Grouch,
It’s Easy Being Green!

New Compost Traveling Trophies Revealed

The Composting Challenge Traveling Trophies were created to provide friendly rivalries between departments.

1st Place—Kermit the Frog’s theme “It’s Not Easy Being Green” clearly shows how easy it is to be green.

2nd Place—Oscar the Grouch theme focuses on his composting trash can plotting ways to be first next year!

Our goal in ITS is to be a Loyola Sustainability Leader and win the trophy! Do your part by using the white composting bins in the kitchen areas of Granada and designated paper towel bins in the restrooms of the second floor.

Pounds of Compost

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Around the Corner…
Upcoming Green Team Initiatives

- Dual-sided printing pilot
- Water Taste-Off Extravaganza
- Recycling and Composting at the ITS Quarterly Meetings

ITS Water Filtration Pilot Results
Coming Soon!

Did You Know?
Quick Tips to Go Green!

1. Turn off the lights when you leave home
2. Turn off the water when brushing your teeth
3. Use recyclable bags
4. Shop at Loyola farmer’s market in the Loyola Plaza: http://blogs.luc.edu/farmersmarket/

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