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RETHINKWASTE ANNOUNCES 2021 POSTER CONTEST WINNERS
Winners to Be Recognized at Upcoming City Council Meetings!

SAN CARLOS, CA – November 15, 2021 – RethinkWaste is very excited to announce the winners of its eighth annual poster contest, which was open to all 3rd through 5th graders attending schools in the RethinkWaste service area. This year’s poster theme was “Compost Champions!” The artwork from local student artists illustrated the creative ways students practice composting with their friends, family, and classmates!

The winners and their respective cities and schools are listed below:

First Place – “I’m a Compost Champion”
Kira H., 3rd, Audubon Elementary, Foster City



Second Place – “Compost Evolution”
Taiki I., 5th grade, Foster City Elementary, Foster City



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### Third Place – “What Goes in the Green Bin”

Lyra B., 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Sandpiper School, Redwood City



### Honorable Mention – “A Comic about Compost”

Ryder H., 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Audubon Elementary, Foster City



High resolution photos of the winning posters are available upon request.

The First Place poster will be featured on the side of a Recology collection truck with routes in Foster City, so the winner will see their artwork around their neighborhood this spring! All winning posters will be showcased on the RethinkWaste website and social media and may appear in RethinkWaste newsletters and other educational materials. In addition, contest winners may be recognized at upcoming City Council meetings. Meeting dates will be confirmed before the end of the calendar year.

As a reward for their submissions, first, second, and third place winners received fun eco-friendly prizes!

### About RethinkWaste

RethinkWaste is a joint powers authority of eleven public agencies in San Mateo County (Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, City of San Mateo, parts of unincorporated San Mateo County and the West Bay Sanitary District). We own and manage the 16-acre Shoreway Environmental Center facility, located at 333 Shoreway Road in San Carlos, which processes all the collected trash, recyclable and compostable materials. This facility has a \$130 million dollar annual operating budget, handles and processes almost 500,000 tons of materials annually – more than half are recycled and creates almost 400 jobs for our local community. See [RethinkWaste.org](http://RethinkWaste.org) and follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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