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- 1/2 a million spent on trash in Howard County schools a year.
- plastic bags are a big problem for recycling facilities because it gets tangled in equipment.
- sorted recyclables get sent to China to get made in to new products.
- metal can be recycled forever.
- metal doesn't lose it's value when it gets recycled.
- reduce amount of school supplies used
- some schools started composted
- 25% percent of trash is organic
- alpha ridge landfill collects styrofoam, clothing, mattresses, electronics, wall shingles, etc.
- styrofoam is mostly air which is why it's light.
- selling compost
- facilities use filters to get pollution from escaping into the air.
- trash costs a lot of money to collect.
- in Howard County gets sent to a landfill in Virginia.
- mining a landfill sight is looking for recyclables in landfills
- landfills use a lot of different types of different filters so that the ground and water and air ^{around it} doesn't get polluted.