

## **CLARKSTON - Clarkston High School**

CLARKSTON - Clarkston High School is doing its part to conserve, re-use and recycle.

"We take any waste paper, student paper, teacher paper, office generated paper and put it in recycle bags that are provided by Lewis-Clark Recyclers," said Steven Kirking, CHS science teacher. "And the environmental science class picks up the paper approximately once or twice a month."

Right now the school recycles paper and cardboard. But eventually they hope to add plastic and glass. Kirking says he tries to make the recycling bags easy to access and says the kids catch on quick.

The high school collects about 50 bags full of paper every two weeks.

"So it's a mountain of recycle bags we collect," Kirking said. It's a lot of paper."

But one of the more innovative things the school has done for the environment is create a paperless classroom.

"In an attempt this year to go more earth friendly, I have a wireless network here in the room and my science students do all their work digitally," said Kirking,

Kirking said most of the kids love to get their hands on the keyboard.

"The kids seem to like it,' he said. "Most of them are pretty tied into the electronic age. So they are very aggressive with their electronic capability and how they can manipulate their assignments and turn them in. It's taken my teaching to a different style and I have to get use to it"

Kirking says the district invested in laptops for the classrooms as a better way to spend money as opposed to science textbooks that often become outdated.

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