

Bash the Trash

On Monday, May 13, we will have an assembly called "Bash the Trash." After this assembly, students will have a hands-on workshop where they will have an opportunity to build musical instruments out of items that would otherwise be discarded. Each student will need to bring in "trash" to create their instruments. Please see the list below for suggested items. **Students should bring in their items in a shopping bag clearly labeled with their name and class number.** Thank you in advance for helping us make this a success!

Below, is some advice from the workshop organizers:

A Mild Warning:

Don't bring anything unless it truly is garbage. Never bring anything that you expect back in one piece. Don't bring anything with rust or sharp edges. No nails. No glass. No ten foot long pieces of wood or metal.

The more *different* stuff you bring, the more instruments you can build. You don't need everything on the list. If you have a lot of one or two kinds of things, bring them and consider sharing or trading. You can bring stuff that is NOT on the list but always check with an adult first. All materials must be CLEAN and DRY.

FOR GRADE 3-6 STUDENTS

- Styrofoam boxes or large chunks - no styrofoam peanuts
- Short metal pipes or tubes (8-16") that can be placed on styrofoam - no rust or sharp edges!
- Old spoons or forks that can be placed on styrofoam
- Tin cans - many sizes - careful of sharp edges! No soda cans.
- Plastic bottles or cans with removable tops (like aspirin bottles, coffee cans, soda bottles, etc.). Please include the tops.
- "Shaky stuff" for building shakers - beads, pebbles, paper clips, aquarium rocks etc. No food.
- Rubber bands - all sizes
- Cardboard tubes - paper towel, gift wrapping, plastic wrap, rug tubes (toilet paper tubes are generally too short)
- Plastic straws
- Small Cardboard Boxes - nothing too flimsy, please - shoebox size is OK; no cereal boxes or milk cartons, please
- Various plastic buckets, oatmeal barrels, drum-like or bell-like items, etc. Please, nothing that can be dangerous if broken (by enthusiastic drumming, etc.).