

THREE-BIN COMPOSTER ADDED TO McKENZIE SCHOOLYARD

Before school started in the fall, McKenzie's schoolyard was enhanced with a new three-bin composter. The composter will enhance the curriculum by providing opportunities for hands-on learning regarding soil, ecosystems, and conservation science. In addition, by composting weeds and waste from the butterfly and prairie gardens and the wildlife habitat and returning the composted material to the soil, the McKenzie community can create its own natural fertilizer, while reducing waste sent to landfills and reducing emissions of greenhouse gases caused by transporting that waste.

The composter was built as an Eagle Project organized and led by Nick Bonamici, a member of Wilmette Boy Scout Troop 5 and a 2002 graduate of McKenzie. Funding for the project was obtained from the McKenzie PTA and a contribution from Home Depot.



