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### **United Nations International School Receives Green School Grant**

NEW YORK CITY – United Nations International School (UNIS) recently received funding from the New York State Association for Reduction, Reuse, and Recycling’s (NYSAR<sup>3</sup>) Green School Grant Program.

The school will put the funds towards the purchase of a new cafeteria sorting station for improved flow of people and supplies for station monitors as part of its, “ultimate goal of sending little or no waste to landfill.” Their zero waste program will also include education by Green Guides (a program created by Cafeteria Culture), where students and faculty teach why items are separated and their proper placement.

Designed by students, teachers, and parents of the UNIS Green Team, the initiative will continue to partner with Jennifer Kline of the NYC Department of Sanitation’s Bureau of Recycling and Sustainability for consultation, as well as Tehmina Akhtar, Deputy Director at the United Nations Capital Development Fund, who has been instrumental in explaining the connection between food waste and climate change. Through this program, the school hopes to change the culture and practices of its entire population and in time track their results.

The professional recyclers’ association for New York State, NYSAR<sup>3</sup> awards up to (\$500) bi-annually to each grade K-12 public and private winning school across NYS to start or improve recycling, composting and/or waste reduction programs. The fall 2018 grant winners were announced on America Recycles Day, November 15.

*NYSAR<sup>3</sup>, the premiere recycling organization in New York State, provides members with expertise and education on waste reduction, reuse and recycling issues and practices to improve the environment. The group advocates for policies and programs that support environmental sustainability in the Empire State and provides access to a network of individuals and organizations that share ideas about starting and improving reduction, reuse, and recycling programs, as well as information on education and funding. More details are available on their website: [www.NYSAR3.org](http://www.NYSAR3.org).*