



New York State Association for Reduction, Reuse and Recycling Inc.

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### **RT Hudson Seventh-Day Adventist Elementary School Receives Green School Grant**

BRONX – RT Hudson Seventh-Day Adventist Elementary School 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 use the funds to purchase equipment and tools for implementation of a food scraps recovery program. They plan to grow produce in a nearby community garden, harvest it for consumption, sale and donation, and compost the remainder. Finished compost will then be added to the garden to complete the loop.

The new program will include students in grades pre-K through eighth grade with each student receiving composting instruction upon arrival at the school and throughout their education. Due to strong support from the home and school association, school board, and principal, it is anticipated to be a sustainable endeavor.

The professional recyclers' association for New York State, NYSAR<sup>3</sup> awards up to \$500 bi-annually to each grades 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).*