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<u>Camden Central School District Honored as 2023 Recycling Champion</u>

Every year, the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority (Authority) recognizes one local business, organization or school that has taken the initiative to reduce their solid waste stream through reduction, recycling and proper disposal. This year, the Authority has chosen to award the Camden Central School District with the 2023 Recycling Champion Award.

The Camden Central School District includes McConnellsville Elementary School, Camden Elementary School, Camden Middle School and Camden High School. Camden Central School serves approximately 2,500 students with 250 professional staff members and 200 support staff members.

The Camden Central School District was selected for the 2023 Recycling Champion Award because of its involvement and usage of the Authority's school recycling program and resources. During the 2023-2024 school year so far, the district has requested recycling boxes and posters, recycling presentations and assemblies and a tour of the Authority's recycling center. In addition, the Authority's Recycling Coordinator, Eileen Brinck, attended one of Camden High School's Science Club meetings, where the club brainstormed ways in which students can become even more engaged with recycling and waste reduction.

"It's been really great working with the Camden Central School District," says Brinck. "The faculty and staff members that we have been working with have been so enthusiastic about continuing and expanding their recycling program. By doing so, they are teaching their students great habits that will continue into adulthood," she continued. "The Authority is appreciative of the Camden Central School District's efforts and is very excited to see where their recycling program goes next."

Camden Middle School Principal Mrs. Brittany DerCola attended the Authority's December 2023 board meeting to accept the Recycling Champion award on the district's behalf.

For more information on the Authority's school recycling program or to request educational materials and tours, please contact Authority Recycling Coordinator, Eileen Brinck, at 315-733-1224 x 1400 or eileenb@ohswa.org. Information can also be found on the Authority's website at www.ohswa.org.







