

6/30/2022

Dear Superintendent _____,

The Anti-Litter Task Force of Claremont would like to partner with SAU 6 to offer the award-winning documentary **Microplastic Madness** during the 2022-2023 school year.

Microplastic Madness (76 minutes) is an inspirational documentary highlighting a science and civics school project involving Brooklyn youth who take plastic-free action! This documentary is the story of 56 fifth graders from Red Hook, Brooklyn (NYC) whose actions on plastic pollution morph into extraordinary leadership and scalable victories. With stop-motion animation, heartfelt kid commentary, and interviews of experts and renowned scientists who are engaged in the most cutting-edge research on the harmful effects of microplastics. This film's narrative conveys a relevant message in user-friendly terms.

The film has been officially selected into over 35 film festivals, won 8 awards, and screened in 30 US states and 45 countries. Watch the trailer and learn about the movie here:

www.microplasticmadness.org

Our Task Force endorsed a successful community screening of this film this past Earth Day weekend and would like to join with SAU 6 teachers and students to further promote its message and, potentially, its science-based curriculum within our school system (curriculum is available and optional). Members of our Anti-Litter Task Force would be delighted to partner with SAU 6 to create a meaningful, educational event for our students and teachers.

Additionally, as a psychotherapist, it is important for our youth to see evidence of adults taking action to correct the challenges that single-use plastics and microplastics present to our health and environment. As an active member of the Plastics Working Group of the NH Network for the Environment, Energy and Climate, I am part of an effective and committed effort in NH to address the concerns single-use plastics and microplastics create. This group demonstrates the care being taken to address these concerns and members of this group could be an important part of the programming for this effort. For more information on the Plastics Working Group, go to:

<https://www.newhampshirenetwork.org/working-groups/plastics-working-group>

Please contact me to further discuss this opportunity.

Thank you for considering this collaborative project,

Rebecca MacKenzie

Anti-Litter Task Force of Claremont

Plastics Working Group of the NH Network for the Environment, Energy and Climate