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Amelia Island Montessori School, Waste Management and Keep Nassau Beautiful kick-off a recycling program.

Amelia Island, FL (December 9, 2020) – Karl Schlobohm, Middle School Lead Educator, recently coordinated with Keep Nassau Beautiful (KNB) and Waste Management (formerly Advanced Disposal) to kick-off a school-wide recycling program at Amelia Island Montessori School.

Bryce Dukes, Route Manager for Waste Management, supported the school's recycling program by providing bins for classrooms and recycling carts to consolidate and dispose of collected recyclables. Mr. Dukes and Lynda Bell, Executive Director for KNB, led an interactive educational program focused on the Do's, Don'ts, and Why of recycling. For the safety of educators and students, the program was held in designated garden areas and classroom specific small groups. CDC safe distancing guidelines were followed. Waste Management Recycle Right learning materials were referenced for the training and are available at www.wm.com.

Keep Nassau Beautiful provided a leave-behind for each classroom as a reminder to reduce the use of plastic when possible. Each student was also given an age-appropriate book on the topic of reduce, reuse, recycle to enhance learning and encourage behavior change.

"In addition to our academic foundation that encourages exploration and self-discovery of complex learning concepts, we offer children an opportunity to develop a sense of stewardship for the world around them," said Diane van Lanen, Interim Head of School. "The recycling program is one way that our children can engage in practices that support our commitment to the environment and our local community."

About Keep Nassau Beautiful

Keep Nassau Beautiful, Inc. is working to inspire, educate, and equip individuals, groups, businesses, and governments to take action to make Nassau County a place where residents, visitors and wildlife can thrive and experience the beauty of Nassau County. www.keepnassaubeautiful.org.

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Bryce Dukes, Waste Management, leads an interactive educational program for educators and students at Amelia Island Montessori School.