## We are Ocean Guardians, we are Stewards of the Land







## **Tongass School of Arts and Sciences**

Our school is near Kichxáan Héeni (Ketchikan Creek), which flows directly to the Kichxáan X'aak (Tongass Narrows.) The Kichxáan X'aak (Tongass Narrows) is salt water, is part of the Inside Passage of Southeast Alaska, and is directly connected to the Pacific Ocean. By keeping our school property clean, our neighborhood clean, and Kichxáan Héeni clean, we are taking care of our local watershed.

The ocean and beach will have less trash and plastics because of our efforts.

Our main project will enable and encourage our community members to take part in <u>cleaning up the beaches of Kichxáan</u> (<u>Ketchikan</u>). The clean up buckets on the beach will provide a way for beachgoers to help keep our main waterway clean.



This year, we...







- 1. Built community clean up buckets, to be installed in 3 locations. 2 at Rotary Beach and 1 at S. Pt. Higgins Beach.
- 2. Continued composting.
- 3. Continued conducting school & neighborhood cleanups.
- 4. Continued using stainless steel utensils every day.
- 5. Harvested a small crop of Native potatoes, with more to be planted in the near future.







