UH DOING WELL IN NATIONAL RECYCLEMANIA COMPETITION

Houston, March 13, 2013 – The University of Houston is scoring high in this spring’s national RecycleMania competition, ranking 13th so far out of 343 schools in the gorilla category, which measures the total amount of paper, cardboard, bottles and cans collected. In Texas, UH ranks first.

The competition, which started Feb. 3 and continues through March 30, runs concurrent with the campus RecycleMania contest, in which organizations compete to educate the UH community about recycling, reuse and reduction.

Nationally, the university ranks 58th in the per capita classic category, which measures the average amount of pounds of recycled materials per person on campus. In Texas, UH is in second place. In the grand champion category, which measures weight recycled compared to total waste, UH is in 50th place nationally and sixth in Texas.

The university also is participating in the waste minimization category and, with UH Dining Services, the food service organics category with food donations.

To see the updated results each week, click: http://recyclemaniacs.org/scoreboard/current-results/competition-division.

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