

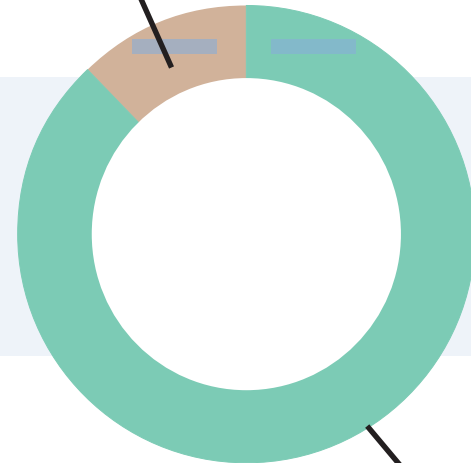
GREEN LIVING

100 students reveal really just how much they care about the environment

Does your family **recycle** on a regular basis?

12.22% No

87.78% Yes



How many minutes do you spend in the **shower?**

10.10% < 5

37.37% 5-10

23.23% 11-20

18.18% 21-30

11.11% > 30

16%

of students' families own an electric or hybrid car

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of students' families have a sprinkler system

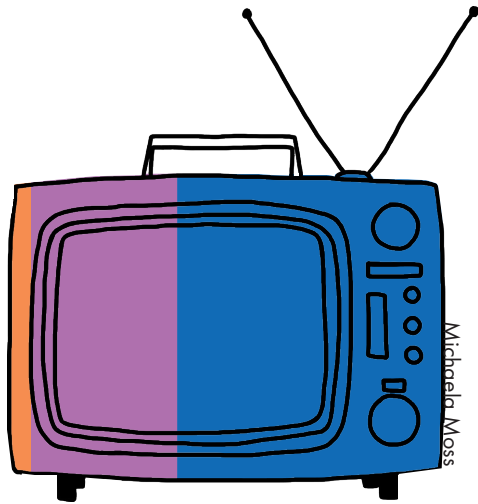
32%

of students' families have gardens

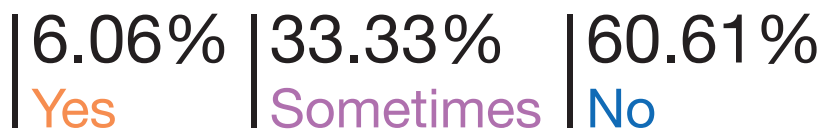
47%

of students buy reusable water bottles

Information collected by Conor O'Bryon, infographic by Jack Wallace



Do you leave **electronics** on throughout the day?

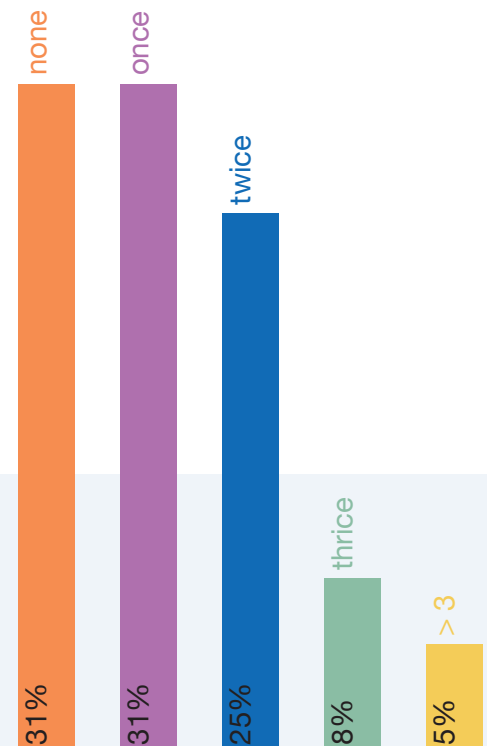
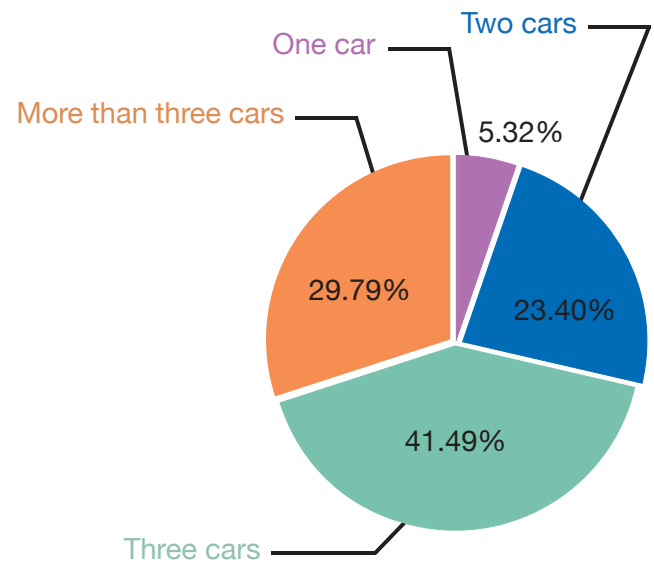


Do you leave the **lights** on in your home when you leave?



How often do you **water** your lawn per week?

How many **cars** does your family own?



Household

Your home is a great place to start an environmentally friendly campaign. Plastic, paper and bottles can all be recycled instead of being sent to a landfill. Many of us bring a bottle of water into the classroom. Try to purchase a reusable water bottle from the store and fill it up daily from your tap, instead of constantly purchasing bottled water. Also try cutting down on time spent in the shower, to conserve water.

Outside

Do you have a sprinkler system? If so, it is important to program your system for optimal watering times. Try having your sprinkler start in the early morning, and refrain from watering during the hottest times of the day, which is usually early afternoon. In Westlake, most neighborhoods are in a once-a-week pattern of watering due to the drought. If you are watering more than once weekly, cut down.

Cars

According to a poll by ABC News, Americans spend anywhere from 80-100 minutes behind the wheel each day. However, there are some ways to reduce the amount of energy and pollution cars create. Cars with good gas mileage require fewer fill-ups which saves you money and means that less CO₂ is released into the atmosphere. Hybrid and electric cars generate little to no pollution.