Introduction:
The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) developed and streamlined hazardous waste management requirements for collecting and managing certain widely generated hazardous waste by creating a "Universal Waste" category.
This rule is designed to:
- Reduce the amount of hazardous waste items in the municipal solid waste stream
- Encourage recycling and proper disposal
- Reduce regulatory burdens on entities that generate these wastes

All employees who handle of have responsibility for managing universal waste must be informed and trained as to the proper handling and emergency procedures appropriate to the type(s) of universal waste.

Universal Waste Covered:
Pesticide means any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest, or intended for use as a plant regulator, defoliant, or desiccant. When handling or storing pesticides:
- Handle pesticides in a manner that will prevent spillage.
- Properly store pesticides in a closed, structurally sound container with a secured lid.
- Properly store pesticides in a container that is compatible with the pesticide.
- Label all pesticide containers.
- Immediately contain any spills by using the appropriate protective equipment.

Disposal Procedure:
- Contact the Physical Plant for pick up.

As a Very Small Quantity Generator, Angelina College must manage waste pesticides in a way that prevents releases to the environment. If a container shows evidence of damage that could cause leakage, place the pesticide in a closed, structurally sound container.

Universal Waste Storage Area:
The Universal Waste Storage Area is located inside the fenced area south of the Maintenance Shop.

Collection of Universal Wastes:
Contact the Physical Plant at ext. 5280.

If Unsure, Contact:
EH&S Manager at ext. 3244