

Buildings and Sites

Environmental Resources Management and Waste Reduction

I. Purpose

This policy defines the school district's vision and focus on environmental resources management.

II. General Statement of Policy

The school district values creating globally minded citizens who are aware of their collective and individual environmental footprint and who are equipped to manage their consumption of environmental resources. The district will implement its policies and practices to ensure that environmental sustainability is an integral part of district planning, decision making, and daily operations.

III. Program

A. The school district will continue to partner with families, community members, government entities, businesses, and other relevant organizations to limit the environmental impact of its activities, working toward a more sustainable future.

B. The district will focus on the following areas of environmental resources management:

1. Reduce the amount of energy consumed;
2. Reduce the amount of resources consumed;
3. Reduce the amount of waste;
4. Separation and recovery of recyclable waste;
5. Procurement of recyclable and sustainable commodities;
6. Preserve the natural resources found on district grounds; and
7. Educate through words and actions about sustainability and "green" initiatives.

IV. Administrative Responsibilities

School district administration will implement initiatives, action plans, and accountability measures to advance the focus areas of environmental management on an ongoing basis.

Cross References:
Policy 804 (Energy Utilization Management)

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