



**LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
APPLICATION FOR '26-'27 CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABILITY TASKFORCE**

The Superintendent of the Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD) **seeks qualified, interested individuals to serve on a Climate and Sustainability Task Force ('Task Force')** of community leaders to lead a dialogue on green school principles and practices that conserve natural resources, decarbonize district operations, minimize the impact of district operations on the environment, and protect the health of students, staff, and the community. **The mission of the Task Force is to serve in an advisory role to LBUSD regarding its sustainability-related activities,** including the development of sustainability targets, metrics, and strategies; prioritization of sustainability programs; and policies for implementation.

The Task Force is composed of **fifteen (15) members** representing the following key groups:

- Three (3) LBUSD Teachers (one each from a HS, MS and Elementary)
- Six (6) LBUSD Students
- Two (2) Parents
- One (1) member representing the City of Long Beach (city employee);
- One (1) member representing community interest
- One (1) Environmental Industry Representative/Business Community
- One (1) School Administrator

Task Force representatives will be selected through an open application process, which will be initiated through outreach by LBUSD, except for the one (1) City of Long Beach representative, which shall be appointed by the City.

The Energy and Sustainability Manager will facilitate the administration of the meetings and serve as a liaison between the Task Force and District staff and will assist in coordinating the meetings. This position shall be non-voting.

One (1) Board Member will be appointed by the Superintendent of Schools to serve in an advisory capacity. This position shall be non-voting.

The Task Force will **meet approximately 4x during the school year**, with a possible/optional meeting over the summer, as determined by Task Force member interest and availability. Task Force meetings will be ~1.5 hours long, held virtually in the afternoons after school, on a day of the week mutually agreed upon by Task Force members. Members are expected to attend every meeting.



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We are **currently looking for the following roles** to fill positions on the Task Force:

- Middle School Teacher (2-year term)
- High School Teacher (2-year term)
- Parents (1-year term)
- Community Member at Large (2-year term)
- Environmental Industry Representative (2-year term)
- LBSD Students (1-year term)
- School Administrator (2-year term)

Individuals interested in serving on the Climate and Sustainability Taskforce are encouraged to **submit this application online** (via [this link](#) or by scanning the QR code above), or by emailing this completed document to LKruke@lbschools.net. If you have questions about the application or role of the Taskforce, please email Dr. Laurel Kruke, the Energy and Sustainability Manager, at LKruke@lbschools.net.

Applications are **DUE TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026** by the end of the day.

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Please complete the following information to apply for a seat as a representative on LBUSD's '26 – '27 Climate & Sustainability Taskforce.

CLIMATE & SUSTAINABILITY TASKFORCE REPRESENTATIVE APPLICATION		
Contact Information		
Name (First and Last):		
Email:		
School:		
In the table below, please check the "Seat Selection" box next to the representative seat for which you are applying. Applicants may select more than one position.		
<u>Member</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Seat Selection</u>
LBUSD Elementary School Teacher	2 years	
LBUSD Middle School Teacher	2 years	
LBUSD High School Teacher	2 years	
LBUSD Student	1 year	
LBUSD Parent <i>Must have a child currently enrolled in the district</i>	1 year	
Community Member <i>Representing community interests</i>	2 years	
Environmental Industry/Business Community Representative	2 years	
LBUSD School Administrator	2 years	
Please describe your affiliation as it relates to the stakeholder seat selected above.		



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Please describe why you would be a good candidate for the Climate & Sustainability Task Force.

What are some sustainability topics you are passionate about and/or interested in hearing more about as part of the Taskforce?

By submitting this application, you are confirming your interest in participating as a member of the LBUUSD '26 – '27 Climate & Sustainability Taskforce for the term associated with the seat selected above. We will notify all applicants of the Taskforce decisions within a few weeks of the application deadline.

Thank you!

Signature: _____
(if you are filling this form out through a PDF reader, please type your name into the box above.)

Date: _____