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## **Energy and Resources Conservation and Sustainability**

The district recognizes sustainability as a guiding principle and believes that our education system should lead the way in developing an ethic of sustainability in all of its practices. The district defines “sustainability” as meeting the educational, environmental, social and economic needs of present generations without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Sustainability will be managed through efforts in balancing the mutually interdependent areas of education, environment, society and economy to ensure a healthy future for our students, staff, the district and the state of Oregon. The district believes that these actions are a natural extension of the district’s core mission and values.

Sustainability may be demonstrated through:

1. Leadership in sustainable management – striving to balance educational, economic, social and environmental issues in our daily decision-making;
2. Leadership in student achievement – incorporating environmental, social and economic sustainability concepts in our education of students;
3. Leadership in fostering student health and well-being – providing a physical environment that promotes the health, productivity and safety of students and staff;
4. Continual improvement – seeking new, expanded and improved ways to create a sustainable and restorative future.

The district will make a concerted effort to conserve resources through the efficient utilization of resources and limited use of disposable, single-use materials.

Conservation and sustainability will be the responsibility of each district employee and student to actively participate in conservation efforts in order to reduce consumption to levels prescribed by state and federal guidelines. However, every effort will be made to maintain program for the benefits of the students. It will be the responsibility of the superintendent to establish a district wide Energy Team with membership to include an Energy Champion, Director of Business and Operations, and Maintenance Department. Each school or building will identify one staff member to work with the District Energy Team. The evaluation of this program and individual building efforts shall be reported to the Board annually by the Energy Champion and Energy Team.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 332.107](#)