

School District #62 (Sooke)

ENERGY MANAGEMENT	No.: F-201
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SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

As part of an overall environmental strategy, School District No. 62 (Sooke) is committed to responsible energy management.

It is the intent of the District to manage all of its activities to ensure that the consumption of energy and natural resources is reduced to a practical minimum. Energy efficiency practices will include School District facilities, equipment, staff training and curriculum. This will require an ongoing, systematic approach to energy management, including assessing performance, setting goals, creating an action plan, tracking and communicating results.

While reducing energy consumption, the District is also committed to ensuring that a healthy and comfortable environment is maintained for students, staff and other users of the District's facilities.

This policy is written such that the District expects that its staff will:

1. Operate and maintain all equipment (i.e. electronic devices, heating/cooling equipment, etc.) for the optimal consumption of energy.
2. Ensure that new facilities and additions or renovations are designed for optimum energy efficiency and sustainability (subject to school program requirements, construction and maintenance costs).
3. Develop facilities and equipment upgrading programs for energy efficiency and environmental sustainability.
4. Where appropriate, recommend the closing of under-utilized space to reduce energy costs.
5. Provide relevant in-service training for staff and curriculum support materials for teacher use.

The fulfillment of this policy shall be the joint responsibility of the Board of Education, administrators, staff and support personnel. The success of the policy is dependent upon total co-operation from all levels within School District No. 62 (Sooke).