

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**Reporting to Public Session, Tuesday, May 26, 2026**

**1. Policy Update**

The Board of Education, through its Policy Committee, has been working to review and update its current policies leading to a complete restructuring of the policy manual. In alignment with this process, the Superintendent will be reviewing and updating existing administrative procedures. The policy attached is now being recommended for circulation as Notice of Motion.

**Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education approve the attached policy for circulation as Notice of Motion for consideration at the June 23, 2026, Regular Meeting.

# Board Report

Date: May 26, 2026  
To: Board of Education – Private Meeting  
From: Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent  
Subject: Policy Update

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## **Background:**

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## **Considerations:**

The following policy has gone through the preliminary process with the Policy Committee, and the Committee of the Whole Partner Groups meeting. The following policy is now being recommended for circulation as Notice of Motion:

- Policy #26 Environmental Sustainability (new)

Following the Notice of Motion, the final policy will go before the Board at the June 23, 2026, Regular Meeting.

## **Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education approve the following policy for circulation as Notice of Motion:

- New Policy #26 Environmental Sustainability

**ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**

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**PREAMBLE**

The Burnaby Board of Education recognizes the importance of supporting environmental sustainability as key to its values and operations. Doing so guides District practices regarding energy use, pollution, waste, and water consumption, all of which reduce the District's carbon footprint. Sustainable practices include actions that prioritize waste and energy use reduction, renewal, recycling, mindful resource use, and climate-conscious decision making.

**POLICY**

**THE BOARD COMMITS TO CONTRIBUTING A HEALTHY, SUSTAINABLE FUTURE THROUGH ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE PRACTICES THAT ENGAGE STUDENTS, STAFF, FAMILIES, AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY. THE BOARD RECOGNIZES THE SIGNIFICANT ROLE THAT SCHOOLS AND THEIR COMMUNITIES PLAY AS LEADERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AND CLIMATE ACTION.**

**ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY SUPPORTS THE LONG-TERM WELL-BEING OF INDIVIDUALS, COMMUNITIES, AND THE PLANET. THE DISTRICT STRIVES TO INCORPORATE SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE PRACTICES WHEN IMPLEMENTING OPERATIONS, COLLABORATING WITH PUBLIC AGENCIES, CULTIVATING LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS, APPLYING DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES TO STRENGTHEN THE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE, FOSTERING RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP, AND WORKING TO REDUCE THE DISTRICT'S OVERALL IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.**

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Date Adopted:            YYYY-MM  
Date(s) Revised:

Cross References: