BOARD OF EDUCATION
BURNABY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 41

POLICY #26

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

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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Cross References: