

Palm Springs USD

Board Policy

Energy And Water Management

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BP 3511

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board of Education recognizes the ~~importance of minimizing the district's use of natural resources, providing a high-quality environment that promotes health and productivity, and effectively managing the district's fiscal resources.~~ environmental and financial benefits that can be derived from conserving energy, water, and other natural resources, preparing for extreme weather and other natural events, and providing an environment that promotes the health and well-being of students and staff. ~~To that end,~~ To support district goals for energy and water management, the Superintendent or designee shall develop a resource management program which may include strategies for implementing effective and sustainable resource use practices, exploring the use of renewable and clean energy technologies and/or sources, reducing energy and water consumption, ~~minimizing utility costs, reducing the amount of waste of consumable materials, encouraging recycling and green procurement practices,~~ and promoting conservation principles in the educational program.

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

(cf. 3511.1 - Integrated Waste Management)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

(cf. 6142.5 - Environmental Education)

The Superintendent or designee may solicit input from staff, students, and parents/guardians regarding the district's resource management program. The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff and students with training and guidance on best practices to achieve the district's goals, such as and may establish a reward program to recognize outstanding accomplishments.

(cf. 1150 - Commendation and Awards)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly inspect district facilities, monitor and operations, and make recommendations for maintenance and ~~capital expenditures~~ repairs which may help the district reach its conservation and management goals and improve efficiency.

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

The Superintendent or designee shall make every effort to identify funding opportunities and cost-reducing incentive programs to help the district achieve its conservation and management goals.

The district may coordinate with other local or regional entities to capitalize on their expertise and maximize the efficient use of resources, such as through joint or shared use agreements.

(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board on the district's progress in meeting its conservation and resource management goals.

Emergency Interruption of Services

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a plan to minimize disruption to the educational program in the event of power outages or other emergency interruption of utility services. The plan shall include actions to be taken to facilitate student and staff safety, administrative control of operations, protection of equipment, effective communications, and coordination with local fire, police, and emergency personnel and utility service providers.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17213.1 School sites

17280 Construction of school buildings

35275 Coordination of new facilities with recreation and park authorities

41422 School term or session length, failure to comply due to disaster

46392 Emergency conditions; ADA estimate

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

25410-25421 Energy conservation assistance

WATER CODE

13383.5 Storm water discharge monitoring requirements

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 23

490-495 Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

2200 Discharge permit fees

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 33

1342 National pollutant discharge elimination system

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 40

122.1-122.64 National pollutant discharge elimination system

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES PUBLICATIONS

0118.01 California's Energy Challenge

0706.90 Water Conservation Advisory, 90-09

0222.90 Average Daily Attendance Credit During Periods of Emergency, Management Advisory 90-01, rev. February 10, 2005

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

Alliance to Save Energy: <http://www.ase.org>

California Department of Education, Facilities: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa>

California Department of Water Resources: <https://water.ca.gov>
California Division of State Architect: <https://www.dgs.ca.gov/DSA>
California Energy Commission: <http://www.energy.ca.gov>
California State Water Resources Control Board: <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov>
Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS): <https://chps.net>
Green School Yards America: <http://www.greenschoolyards.org>
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

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