

Policy

ENERGY CONSERVATION/SUSTAINABILITY

The Little Silver Board of Education is committed to the conservation of natural as well as fiscal resources and directs the school business administrator/board secretary to develop and implement regulations for the conservation of energy in the management of school buildings.

The board further directs all employees of this district to cooperate in the program of energy conservation.

Sustainability

The board recognizes that schools are an integral part of each community and sustainable practices are important to insuring each school is operated in a safe, healthy, fiscally responsible, environmentally sound, and educationally productive manner in order to serve the students, parents, and other members of that community.

The board recognizes that principles of sustainability are based on the interconnections between social, economic, and environmental systems, and that these must be kept in mind when making decisions, purchases, and plans for a successful future.

Furthermore, the Little Silver Board of Education agrees that developing effective and sustainable practices in our school is a shared responsibility involving administrative leadership, facility operations, community connections, environmental awareness, and curriculum development.

Accordingly, the Little Silver Board of Education adopts this policy to be proactive in promoting the following:

- A. In order to protect students, staff, and the community from environmental harm, the district will strive to eliminate the use of potentially toxic and harmful substances.
- B. In order to prepare students for the future, the district will provide a high-quality education that supports concepts and practices of environmental, social, and economic responsibility and sustainability.
- C. In order to preserve current and future resources, the district will adopt practices in operations that balance environmental, social, and fiscal responsibilities to protect and enhance the future quality of life.

The Little Silver School's Wellness and Sustainability Committee, with members representing students, parents, teachers, support staff, community, the Little Silver Education Association, the board of education, facilities management, and administration, will strive to implement and educate others as to sustainable actions that support this policy.

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Possible

Cross References:

*1100	Communicating with the public
*1330	Use of facilities
*3510	Operation and maintenance of plant
*3516	Safety
*3542.1	Wellness and nutrition
*4112.4/4212.4	Health
*5141	Student health
*5142	Student safety
*6114	Emergency and disaster preparedness
6142.15	STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)

*Indicates the policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.