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  - Policy Name: Sustainability (formerly Environment)
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**Sustainability*****Rationale***

*The Board believes that sustainability – including the environmental and ethical aspects of it – is a goal of public education. Further, it believes that the district and the schools have a responsibility and the opportunity to both practice sustainability and to foster an understanding of sustainability concepts and sustainable ways of life.*

**Policy**

The Board promotes sustainability through practices and educational programs focusing on three areas:

- personal (eg: heat/fuel/energy type and consumption, electronic vs. paper delivery, water, air quality, light, sound, scents)
- school (eg: electronic vs. paper delivery, water use, light, courses, themes of study, interdisciplinarity/integrated study, overt modelling, learning resources, nature experiences, student involvement in energy and carbon monitoring and reduction)
- district (eg: water use, light, cleaning products, heat/fuel/energy type and consumption, electronic vs. paper delivery, equipment/practice that reduces need for consumables)