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Energy Use

Policy

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I. PURPOSE

Minneapolis Public Schools recognizes the necessity of energy conservation and acknowledges that the successful implementation of an energy use policy is the joint responsibility of board members, administrators, teachers, and staff, and requires the cooperation of students, parents and community members who use our facilities. Energy conservation measures may include capital improvement investments with financial returns in the form of energy utilization savings, use of alternative sources of energy, system types or operation of current energy systems with optimum efficiency and advancements in technology. MPS will not compromise the safety or indoor air quality of our students and staff when implementing our fiscal and environmental responsibilities.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. Minneapolis Public Schools through its staff and students will practice responsible behavior which inspires learning and cooperation to reduce or conserve energy on a daily basis.
- B. Minneapolis Public Schools will include the concepts of energy conservation and development of alternative energy sources in its curriculum.
- C. District Staff will adhere to regulatory requirements established by the Superintendent.
- D. Non-staff users of District facilities will be informed of energy use and conservation requirements through the facilities reservation and permit process.
- E. District staff shall consider energy conservation in any construction or renovation projects entered into by the District on any of its facilities.
- F. District staff shall provide for recycling of materials wherever appropriate.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The Superintendent shall promulgate regulations to implement this policy.

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- B. All staff members are responsible for compliance with this policy.

- C. Staff members who work with members of the public who use our facilities are responsible for informing users of District policies and regulations regarding energy use and conservation.

Legal References:

Minn. Stat. §123B.65 (Energy Efficiency Projects)

Cross References:

MPS Policy 3517 (Operation, Maintenance and Security of Buildings and Grounds)