Kenton County School District
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Energy Management

It is the intent of the Board that the District use energy resources in a safe and efficient manner with an on-going focus on identifying and implementing cost saving measures and developing staff and student commitment to identified energy management practices.

The Kenton County School District is committed to adopting a District-Wide Sustainable Energy Plan (SEP) that will result in a significant reduction in overall energy consumption. The District is committed to environmental protection through energy efficiency as a fundamental operational objective and integral to the strategy of fulfilling our educational mission. We understand that the efficient operation of our facilities reduces environmental impacts and recognize our position as responsible community citizens, as well as the opportunity to create a positive role model for resource conservation in public educational assets.

To promote this effort, the Superintendent/designee shall direct the development of a Sustainable Energy Plan (SEP) for Board approval and oversee the implementation and maintenance of that plan, which shall address the following components:

1. A District level committee shall be appointed by the Superintendent/designee to develop and implement the Sustainable Energy Plan (SEP).
2. The District level committee shall track and monitor the EMP to determine progress toward managing and reducing energy costs.

Effective with the 2011-2012 school year, the Superintendent/designee shall report the SEP results for each fiscal year, including annual District energy usage, costs and anticipated savings to KPPC - the Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center – by October 1st annually through the Kentucky Energy Efficiency Program for Schools (KEEPS).

A status report on implementation of the plan in Board-owned and Board-operated facilities shall be provided to the Board following the end of each fiscal year.

Every student and employee will be expected to contribute to energy efficiency in the District and will be responsible for implementing the following guidelines in classroom, offices, and other work areas as appropriate. The Board of Education is also committed to provide the necessary resources to ensure that proper maintenance is done on all energy consuming equipment and that all energy consuming equipment is comprised of the most efficient technology.
The SEP is not intended to cause discomfort to students or staff, and there is flexibility for individual situations where adjustments must be made for health and safety reasons. It is important that each person in the District do their part to ensure that the guidelines and standards are implemented and followed throughout the course of each workday, in order that the District may prevent energy costs from seriously affecting classroom instruction. Therefore, our operational and planning decisions will incorporate the prudent use of energy resources by:

1. Preventing and minimizing energy related pollution and waste;
2. Fostering a sense of personal responsibility for resource conservation among all District employees;
3. Emphasizing a resource conservation and environmental protection ethic among all District employees;
4. Continually improving our Energy Plan performance;
5. Deploying resources to reflect the District’s environmental protection commitment through energy efficiency and resource conservation.