

Policy 3514: Environmental Safety

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The Board of Education believes that students and employees have the right to learn and work in a safe, clean, and healthful environment. It is the policy of the district to conduct its operations in compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations with a positive commitment and due diligence towards the protection of the environment.

In keeping with this policy, it is the objective of the district to reduce waste, implement pollution prevention procedures, reduce liabilities associated with the generation and disposal of waste, and achieve minimal adverse impact on the air, water, and land through the appropriate use of environmental controls. The Superintendent or designee shall enforce precautionary measures to guard against environmental hazards. Staff and students are encouraged to report any unsafe condition they may observe.

To implement this policy and accomplish its goals and to reduce liability associated with the generation, exposure, and disposal of hazardous waste, the district will:

1. Provide appropriate training of staff and students in the identification of environmental issues and the appropriate actions to protect the environment
 2. Hold all staff individually responsible for the environmental impact of their activities
 3. Implement programs to ensure compliance through monitoring, self-monitoring, and reporting activities
 4. Develop and implement standards that comply with existing laws and regulations which protect people and the environment
 5. Develop and implement standards to protect people and the environment, where laws and regulations do not exist or are inadequate
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