

Policy Code: 6530 Resource Conservation

The board is committed to making resource conservation an integral part of the school district's operation and to providing an example to students and the community of responsible stewardship of natural resources. The board encourages all personnel, students and parents to participate actively in the school district's recycling efforts and encourages all to extend these practices to their homes and communities.

The superintendent is responsible for establishing programs that will help the school district meet the following board goals:

- integrating the concept of resource conservation, including waste reduction and recycling, into the curriculum;
- reducing the consumption of consumable materials whenever possible;
- fully utilizing all materials prior to disposal;
- minimizing the use of nonbiodegradable products whenever possible;
- promoting the sensible and efficient use of gasoline, natural gas and electricity in school district activities including, but not limited to, the operation of buildings, equipment and vehicles; the design of new school facilities, including analyses of energy consumption and life cycle costs; and the rental of school facilities by the community;
- purchasing recycled products when financially viable; and
- encouraging suppliers, both private and public, to make recyclable products and unbleached paper products available for purchase by public schools.

Legal References: [G.S. 115C-36](#); [130A-309.10](#), [-309.14](#)(h); [143-58.2](#) *et seq.*

Cross References:

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