



ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

POLICY NAME	ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY						
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RESPONSIBLE EXCECUTIVE	SDG LEAD	REVISED	”	”	”	”	”
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RATIONALE

The increasing global environmental challenges, such as climate change, resource depletion, and pollution, underscore the urgent need for sustainable practices. Schools play a crucial role in shaping the values and behaviours of future generations. By adopting an Environmental and Sustainability Policy, our school aims to lead by example, promoting environmental stewardship and fostering a culture of sustainability within our community.

AIMS

To instil a sense of responsibility for the environment in students, staff, and the wider school community.

To reduce the environmental impact of school operations.

To integrate sustainability into the educational curriculum and extracurricular activities.

To engage the school community in sustainability initiatives and promote collaboration for environmental betterment.

OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSE

Environmental Awareness: Enhance awareness of environmental issues and sustainable practices among students and staff.

Resource Efficiency: Optimize the use of resources, such as energy, water, and materials, to minimize waste and reduce the school’s carbon footprint.

Sustainable Practices: Implement sustainable practices in school operations, procurement, and facilities management.

Curriculum Integration: Embed sustainability principles into the curriculum to provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to address environmental challenges.

Community Engagement: Foster a collaborative approach to sustainability by involving the school community in environmental initiatives and activities.

PROCEDURES

❖ Energy Efficiency

Conduct regular energy audits to identify areas for improvement.

Install energy-efficient lighting, appliances, and equipment.

Educate staff and students on energy-saving practices, such as turning off lights and electronics when not in use.

Explore renewable energy options, such as solar panels, to reduce reliance on non-renewable energy sources.

❖ Waste Management

Implement a comprehensive recycling program for paper, plastic, metal, and organic waste.

Reduce the use of single-use items and promote the use of reusable alternatives.

Conduct waste reduction campaigns and workshops to educate the school community on the importance of waste minimization.

Monitor and track waste generation to identify opportunities for further reduction.

❖ Water Conservation

Install water-efficient fixtures and fittings in all school facilities.

Promote water-saving behaviours, such as turning off taps when not in use and reporting leaks promptly.

Use collected rainwater for irrigation purposes.

Educate the school community on the importance of water conservation through campaigns and classroom activities.

❖ Sustainable Procurement

Establish guidelines for purchasing environmentally friendly products and services.

Prioritize suppliers who adhere to sustainable practices and offer eco-friendly products.

Evaluate the environmental impact of procurement decisions and choose options that minimize negative effects on the environment.

Encourage the use of locally sourced and sustainable materials.

❖ Green Campus Initiatives

Develop and maintain green spaces, such as gardens and outdoor learning areas, to enhance biodiversity and provide hands-on learning opportunities.

Promote the planting of native species and create habitats for local wildlife.

Organize gardening clubs and conservation projects for students and staff to participate in.

Implement practices that reduce the use of harmful chemicals and promote organic gardening methods.

❖ Curriculum Integration

Integrate environmental education into all subjects to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of sustainability.

Develop and implement sustainability-themed projects, field trips, and extracurricular activities.

Invite guest speakers and organize workshops on environmental topics to enhance learning experiences.

Create opportunities for students to take leadership roles in sustainability initiatives and projects.

Community Engagement

Engage parents, local businesses, and community organizations in sustainability efforts.

Communicate the school's environmental goals and achievements through newsletters, social media, and school events.

Organize community events, such as clean-up drives and tree-planting activities, to promote environmental awareness and action.

Establish partnerships with local environmental organizations to support and enhance school sustainability initiatives.

MONITORING AND REVIEW

Establish a Sustainability Committee to oversee the implementation and progress of the policy.

Conduct regular reviews of sustainability practices and their effectiveness.

Gather feedback from students, staff, and the community to inform continuous improvement.

Provide regular updates on progress and achievements to the school community.

COMMUNICATION

Communicate the policy to all members of the school community through staff meetings, student assemblies, newsletters, and the school's website.

Promote sustainability initiatives and achievements to maintain engagement and awareness.

Encourage open communication and suggestions from the school community to enhance sustainability efforts.

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