

**SCHOOL DISTRICT 54**  
*(Bulkley Valley)*  
**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

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**ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**  
**(Board Policy #6.850)**

The Board recognizes that a sustainable approach to its services and operations is essential to fulfilling its mandate of supporting environmental sustainability and preparing students for responsible citizenship and success in life.

The Board supports the development and delivery of educational programs that promote Environmental Sustainability. The Board also supports sound practice and a systematic approach to decreasing dependency on resources and the disposal of waste or effluents.

**Specifically, the Board will support:**

1. *Environmental education and sustainability initiatives, and*
  - *Encourage staff towards professional development that expands their understanding and capacity to teach sustainability principles and practices*
  - *Support sustainability leadership to:*
  - *Build capacity amongst students, staff, and parents as responsible contributors to their own environmentally-sustainable future*
  - *Identify and implement effective sustainability initiatives and solutions*
  - *Foster and celebrate successful sustainability initiatives within the School District*
  - *Recognize and promote successful sustainability initiatives by students, staff and parents.*
  
2. *Decrease dependencies upon the earth's finite resources, and:*
  - *Promote school and district sustainability initiatives that are progressive, transparent, and measurable;*
  - *Develop sustainable operations and procedures that minimize consumption or resources;*
  - *Balance and broaden decision-making to include considerations of ecological, economic and social well-being;*
  - *Pursue solutions for sustainability challenges in partnership with its communities and governments.*
  
3. *Reduce waste and harmful emissions into the environment, and:*
  - *Develop and operate its facilities and services in a sustainable manner with due consideration of costs;*
  - *Encourage sustainable initiatives that realize both cost-savings and reduce environmental impact.*

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