

Policy 3511.1: Integrated Waste Management

The ~~Board of Education~~Governing Board believes that the conservation of water, energy, and other natural resources ~~as well as the protection of the environment~~, the protection of the environment, and the implementation of an effective waste diversion program are connected to the district's educational mission and are essential to the health and well-being of the community. The Superintendent or designee shall develop ~~an integrated waste management program to reduce waste, conserve natural resources and protect the environment~~and implement a cost-effective, integrated waste management program that incorporates the principles of green school operations.

The ~~district's integrated waste management~~ program shall include ~~specific~~ strategies designed to ~~help the district reduce waste generation and improve efficiency in using natural resources in all areas of its operations~~.promote waste management practices of source reduction, recycling, and composting to help the district reduce and recycle solid and organic waste, properly dispose of potentially hazardous materials, improve efficiency in the use of natural resources, and minimize the impact of such use on the environment. The program shall address all areas of the district's operations, including, but not limited to, procurement, resource utilization, and facilities management practices.

The Superintendent or designee may collaborate with city, county, and state agencies ~~and other public or private agencies~~ in developing and implementing the district's integrated waste management program.

The Superintendent or designee shall make every effort to identify funding opportunities for the district's integrated waste management program, including applying for available grants or other ~~cost-reducing~~reduction incentives.

The Superintendent or designee ~~shall~~may provide appropriate educational and training opportunities to students and staff regarding the benefits and methods of conserving natural resources and ~~protecting the environment.~~¶

manner in which integrated waste management strategies impact such efforts.

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly monitor all aspects of the district's integrated waste management program and shall provide an update to the **Governing** Board on its effectiveness as necessary.