Article 175 - Energy Management Conservation Policy

It shall be the policy and practice of the Sparta Area School District to ensure that every effort is made to conserve energy and natural resources while exercising sound financial management.

The implementation of this policy is the joint responsibility of the board members, administrators, teachers, students and support personnel and its success is based on cooperation at all levels.

The district will maintain accurate records of energy consumption and cost of energy and will provide information to the local media on the goals and progress of the energy conservation program.

Each building principal will be responsible for energy management on his/her campus and will cooperate with energy audits and promote the conservation programs and objectives. Judicious use of the various energy systems of each campus will be the joint responsibility of the principal and head custodian to ensure that an efficient energy posture is maintained on a daily basis.

To ensure the overall success of the energy management program, the following specific areas of emphasis will be adopted:

1. All district personnel will be expected to contribute to energy efficiency in our district. Every person will be expected to be an “energy saver” as well as an “energy consumer.”

2. Energy management of his/her campus will be made a part of the principal’s job description and responsibilities.

3. Beginning July 1, 2008, administrative Energy Guidelines will be the basis for implementing our energy program.

4. Cooling Season Occupied Set Points for air conditioning will be 74-78 F
   Cooling Season Unoccupied Set Points for air conditioning will be 85 F
   Heating Season Occupied Set Points will be 68-72 F
   Heating Season Unoccupied Set Points will be 55 F

Further, to maintain a safer and healthier learning environment and to complement the energy management program, the district shall develop and implement a preventive maintenance and monitoring plan for its facilities and systems, including HVAC, building envelope and moisture management.

Legal Reference:

Cross Reference: Article 237 – Specifications for the Energy Educator/Manager

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