The board is committed to making resource conservation an integral part of the school system's operation and to providing an example to students and the community of responsible stewardship of natural resources.

The superintendent shall establish programs that will help the school system meet the following board goals:

- 1. integrating the concept of resource conservation, including waste reduction and recycling, into the curriculum:
- 2. reducing the consumption of consumable materials whenever possible;
- 3. fully utilizing all materials prior to disposal;
- 4. provide recycling containers in all cafeterias, gyms, fields, courts, classrooms, concession areas and promote their use by students, staff, and visitors;
- 5. minimizing the use of non-biodegradable products whenever possible;
- 6. purchasing recycled products when financially viable;
- 7. encouraging suppliers, both private and public, to make recyclable products and unbleached paper products available for purchase by public schools; and
- 8. conserving energy through cost-effective heating and cooling;.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36; -47(41), -160A-327

Cross References:

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