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MEDFORD AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Medford Area Public School District will act to make resource conservation an integral part of the physical operation of the school district and of the school curriculum. The practice of discarding materials used in school facilities is wasteful of natural resources, energy and money. It is also the function of the schools to set an example of stewardship of our natural resources and to develop responsible citizenship in our students.

It will be the policy of the Medford Area Public School District to implement the following actions:

The school district will integrate the concept of resource conservation, including waste reduction and recycling, into the environmental education curriculum at appropriate grade levels.

The school district will work to decrease the amount of waste of consumable materials by:

1. Reduction of the consumption of consumable material whenever possible.
2. Full utilization of all materials prior to disposal.
3. Minimization of the use of non-biodegradable products whenever possible.

The school district will cooperate with, and participate in, recycling efforts being made by the municipalities in which district buildings are located. As systems for the recovering of waste and recycling are developed within the city and county, the school district will participate by appropriately separating and allowing recovery of recyclable waste products when feasible.

The school district will purchase, where financially viable or as required by law, recycled products. The school district will also encourage suppliers, both private and public, to make recyclable products and unbleached paper products available for purchase by public schools.

Representatives of the Medford Area Public School District will actively advocate, where appropriate, for resource conservation practices to be adopted at the local, regional, and state levels.

CROSS REFERENCE:

LEGAL REFERENCE: §66.0131, 159.07, 159.21, Wis. Stats.