

**POLICY
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Denville Township Schools are committed to implementing and establishing sustainable methods and procedures throughout district. Sustainability is defined as meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. The Board of Education desires to conduct its operations, make decisions with identified sustainability priorities in mind.

The Board wants to protect students, staff, school visitors, and community members from environmental harm and will strive to prepare students for the future by providing a high-quality education that supports concepts and practices of environmental, social, and economic responsibility and sustainability. The following list highlights the districts commitment toward sustainability.

The Denville School District will commit to the following when possible and cost effective:

- Paperless meetings and continue to work to reduce the use of paper when online options are available.
- Continue recycling efforts throughout the buildings with recycling bins in all classrooms and offices and recycling containers in the lunch rooms for students.
- Using green custodial/cleaning products throughout the district.
- To continue to promote energy management to reduce energy consumption and costs.
- Establish a Green Team at each school. A school and/or district Green Team may include teaching staff members, facility staff members, community experts, students, and parents/guardians.
- Infrastructure/building maintenance efforts will include energy efficiencies, energy saving methods and green options in its design and implementation.
- Continue to integrate activities and curriculum that infuse healthy living options and will include sustainability, energy conservation and recycling.
- Continue to work with Sustainable Jersey and the Township of Denville on areas of sustainability.
- Any other efforts deemed reasonable and efficient in nature by the Board and Administration.

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