ST. JAMES-ASSINIBOIA SCHOOL DIVISION Great Schools for Growing and Learning

#95494

ENERGY CONSERVATION

The goals of this energy conservation program are to meet the energy requirements of the St. James-Assiniboia School Division, to maintain the well being and comfort of occupants, and to maintain a productive working environment for all division employees while keeping energy costs within reasonable bounds.

The policy is based on the following essential components:

- a) The commitment of management, staff, and students to the principles of energy conservation.
- b) The monitoring of the patterns of energy use in the schools and office buildings.
- c) The implementation and maintenance of the energy conservation controls as stated under points 1 6 below.
- d) The consideration of new and appropriate technology from the point of view of energy efficiency and future costs.
- e) The monitoring of energy savings from conservation initiatives and the tracking and tabling of the results with the intent of finding further improvements.
- f) The aggressive promotion of the energy conservation program to everyone in the school division.

1. Ventilation

- a) Control the starting and stopping of fans to suit occupancy schedule of the building.
- b) When weather permits, postpone start-up time.

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- c) Close outside air dampers during first and last hours of occupancy as long as appropriate levels of outside air are available for occupants.
- d) Turn systems on and off to suit occupancy schedule.
- e) Flush building with cooler outdoor air at night during spring and fall if classroom or office temperature exceeds 75 F. (24 C.).

2. Heating

- a) Heat the occupied classrooms and offices to 70 F. (21 C.) ambient temperature when occupied; 63 F. (17 C.) when unoccupied.
- b) Where practical, prevent access to thermostat controls by occupants.

c) Start preheating so building is at 66 F. (19 C.) at normal occupant arrival time; complete the warm-up during the first hour of occupancy.

d) Turn heat down during the last hour of occupancy.

3. Air Conditioning

a) Cool the classrooms and offices to 75 F. (24 C.) when occupied. This includes school closures when only custodial staff is present.

- b) Do not apply cooling when the building is not occupied.
- c) Flush building with cooler outdoor air at night.

4. Hot Water

Reduce domestic hot water temperature to 110 F. (44 C.) for general use.

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5. Lighting Levels

| Hallways | 20 footcandles |
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| Offices | 50 footcandles * |
| Libraries | 50 footcandles |
| Gymnasiums | 20 footcandles |
| High School Gymnasiums | |
| (where exams are written) | 50 footcandles |
| Theatres | 50 footcandles |
| Staffroom | 50 footcandles |
| Storage | 10 footcandles |
| Stairways | 10 - 20 footcandles |
| Lavatories | 20 - 30 footcandles |
| Cafeterias | 30 footcandles |
| Conference Rooms | 30 footcandles |
| Boiler Rooms | 20 footcandles |
| Classrooms (regular) | 50 footcandles |
| (Sewing) | 50 footcandles * |
| (Welding) | 50 footcandles |
| (Printing) | 50 footcandles * |
| (Automotive work areas) | 50 footcandles * |
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* task lighting can be added to supplement ambient light levels where warranted by specific requirements.

6. Additional Factors

- a) Concentrate off-hours occupancy in single zone where possible.
- b) When repainting, use only light colors to achieve maximum reflection.
- c) All lights in classrooms to be turned off when rooms are not occupied.
- d) All fixtures should be kept clean.

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