**EDUCATION: PROGRAMS** 

Policy 512.14.1-R (previously 602.14.1-R)

## **Environmental Stewardship**

## Regulations

The Board understands its fundamental responsibility to be environmentally sustainable and to align current and future district policies and actions with governmental policies, regulations and laws.

The intent of the regulation is to create and support the necessary structures for an integrated, system-wide approach to environmental stewardship actions, which include, but not limited to the following:

- The Richmond Sustainability Action Team consisting of and consulting with representatives from students, stakeholders, and staff that will develop the District Sustainability Action Plan
- School and site based Green Teams that will create a brief statement of purpose and local plans of action that align with the Environmental Stewardship Policy and the District Sustainability Action Plan
- A 5-year dynamic District Sustainability Action Plan and its budget, timelines, performance targets, evaluation tools, staffing, resource allocation, etc.
- Guidelines of effective practices that are established, reviewed and revised periodically
- An annual summative report to the Board
- A communication initiative that will regularly communicate results, acknowledge commitments, and identify and celebrate successes
- Measurement and assessment tools (i.e. Eco-Wise assessment tool)
- Professional development and networking opportunities for staff
- An Integrated Environmental Stewardship Curriculum framework

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