

**WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING**

It shall be the policy of the Oroville City Elementary School District to make resource conservation an integral part of the physical operation of the District's waste reduction and recycling programs. The practice of discarding materials used in jurisdictional facilities is wasteful of natural resources, energy and District financial resources. The District shall set an example for the community of being good stewards of our natural resources. Therefore, it shall be the policy of the District to implement the following actions:

- \* The District will integrate the concept of resource conservation, including waste reduction and recycling, into its environmental programs.
- \* The District will decrease the amount of waste of consumable materials by: a) reduction of the consumption of consumable materials wherever possible; b) full utilization of all materials prior to disposal; and c) minimization of the use of non-biodegradable products wherever possible.
- \* The District will cooperate with, and participate in, recycling efforts being made by the City of Oroville and Butte County. As systems for the recovery of waste and recycling are developed within the District, the District will participate by appropriately separating and allowing recovery of recyclable waste products.
- \* The District will purchase, where financially viable, recycled products. The District will also encourage suppliers, both private and public, to make recyclable products and unbleached paper products available for purchase.
- \* Representatives of the District will actively advocate, where appropriate, for resource conservation practices to be adopted at the local, regional, and state levels.