Title: <u>ENERGY CONSERVATION</u> <u>Policy: DDB</u>

## NEW SHOREHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT BLOCK ISLAND SCHOOL

The School Committee believes that all reasonable measures should be taken to conserve energy and directs the administration, supported by the school staff, to implement cost effective building improvements and operating procedures to reduce energy consumption at the Block Island School. The School Committee further directs the administration and staff to continually assess the consumption of energy and make recommendations for improved energy conservation.

The following components shall be a part of the school's energy conservation program.

- Northeast-CHPS (Collaborative for High Performance Schools) Best Practices will be implemented for all operations, maintenance, and minor modernization projects where feasible and appropriate.
- EPA's (Environmental Protection Agency) Tools for Schools or an equivalent indoor environmental management program will be implemented.
- All newly purchased equipment and appliances to be used in the school shall be ENERGY STAR compliant. Additionally, the school shall not purchase low efficiency products, including incandescent task lights, halogen torchieres, and portable electrical resistance heaters.
- The operator of a school bus shall not idle the engine while waiting for children to board or
  to exit the vehicle at school and shall not start the engine until ready to leave the school
  premises.

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