



ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE EDUCATION AND STEWARDSHIP

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Objective:

To [support environmental and climate change learning and stewardship across all Grand Erie District School Board \(Grand Erie\) schools and departments](#). ~~provide guidance to employees with respect to decisions and planning with consideration for environmental education and climate change.~~

Policy Statement:

~~The~~ Grand Erie encourages and supports environmental and climate change education and stewardship in our schools, facilities, and administrative departments.

Grand Erie is committed to [continuing to undertake practices to reduce our environmental impact while engaging students, ~~and employees, and school communities~~](#). Grand Erie will [develop education resources and curriculum connections related to the environment and climate change to create on-going opportunities for learning and engagement](#). ~~the protection and conservation of our natural heritage by developing and implementing environmental education resources as well as a climate action plan that will reduce our ecological footprint for a more sustainable future for the generations of students and communities that we serve.~~

~~We are inspired by the respect for the land, water, and air shared or demonstrated by the Indigenous communities in our district. We must take urgent action to tackle climate change.~~

Reference(s):

- Environmental and Climate Change Education Stewardship Procedure (SO-018)
- Environmental Standards for Facility Operations and Maintenance Procedure (FA-014)
- Green Construction Policy (FA-10)
- Green Construction Procedure (FA-010)
- Ministry of Education Curriculum Grades 1-8: Environmental Education
- Ministry of Education Curriculum Grades 9-12: Environmental Education
- [O. Reg. 25/23: Broader Public Sector: Energy Reporting and Conservation and Demand Management Plans](#)
- ~~Ont. Reg. 397/11 Energy and Conservation Demand Management~~
- ~~Ont. Reg. 102/94: Waste Audits and Waste Reduction Work Plans~~ ~~Ont. Reg. 102/94 Waste Audits and Waste Reduction Plans~~
- [O. Reg. 230/11: Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Source Separation Programs](#)
- ~~Ont. Reg. 103/94 Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Source Separation Programs~~
- [O. Reg. 391/21: Blue Box](#)
- ~~Ont. Reg. 386/16 Blue Box Waste~~
- ~~Ont. Reg. 452/09 Greenhouse Gas Emission Reporting~~
- [O. Reg. 243/07: Schools, Private Schools and Child Care Centres](#)
- ~~Ont. Reg. 243/07 Safe Water Drinking Act~~
- [O. Reg. 170/03: Drinking Water Systems](#)

- ~~Ont. Reg. 143/16 Quantification, Reporting, and Verification of Greenhouse Gas Emissions~~
- Purchasing Policy (BU-06)
- Purchasing Procedure (BU-006)
- United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals
- United Nations' Paris Agreement

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