



# ST. HELENA UNIFIED

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## ST. HELENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION #19-22

### The St. Helena Unified School District Green Initiative: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Whereas the Saint Helena Unified School District recognizes the impacts of climate change on students' lives, we support and encourage **"Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle"** programs, actions, and practices within the St. Helena Unified School District. The staff and students remain committed to working with the greater community for sustainable advancements in the areas of waste, water and energy usage, and environmental education.

Be it resolved that to promote healthier, more environmentally sustainable schools and teach environmental leadership, the School Board hereby calls on the district to develop appropriate measures in the following areas:

1. That school sites develop a site specific committee that includes students, staff and community members to oversee, monitor and implement site specific programs with specific goals which measure progress. These sustainable programs may address recycling, energy conservation, water conservation, school gardens and composting. Open lines of communication between sites is encouraged to align programs, actions, and practices.
2. To integrate a TK-12 environmental education curriculum within state standards that may include field trips, school gardens, being there experiences and guest speakers.
3. That the district regularly researches opportunities to introduce solar power, green energy solutions and other environmentally friendly technologies on campuses as advancements are made in these areas.
4. That student, parent clubs and community organizations connected with the schools are encouraged and supported in efforts to raise money through recycling programs or to raise awareness through activities and events.
5. That efforts are increased to use classroom and maintenance supplies that are non-toxic and/or recycled and environmentally friendly. Chemicals containing glyphosate will not be used.
6. That the Green Initiative: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle will be posted on the District website. Site committee goals and objectives may be made public on school websites.
7. That the district identifies private and public funding to encourage and support environmentally sustainable programs and activities.

Therefore, be it resolved, the district shall report annually to the Board on the state of these causes within the district and work with school sites to develop plans for sustainable solutions. Moreover, this resolution calls on the district to continuously consider environmentally conscious opportunities when pursuing new projects and/or capital improvements.

Passed and adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020, at a regular meeting, by the following vote:

YES: Haug, Pelosi, Olguin, Kerr, Conwell, Brawdy

NOES:  $\emptyset$

ABSENT:  $\emptyset$

ABSTAINED:  $\emptyset$

Maria Haug

Trustee, SHUSD Governing Board

5/14/2020

Date