

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education

Resolution to Become a Priority Partner for Waste Reduction with the Alameda County Waste Management Authority and the Alameda County Source Reduction and Recycling Board (Also known as STOPWASTE.ORG)

Resolution No. 13-070

Whereas, Berkeley Unified School District schools have an opportunity to teach students about waste reduction while meeting Math, Science, Social studies and English Language Arts standards by integrating environmental and sustainability education into the curricula; and

Whereas, Berkeley Unified School District schools have the opportunity to develop student leadership by providing students with opportunities to engage in curriculum action projects that enhance the sustainability of their classroom, school and local community; and

Whereas, Berkeley Unified School District schools have many opportunities and choices to use natural resources more efficiently; to reduce, reuse, and recycle; and

Whereas, StopWaste.Org has historically provided and hopes to continue to provide free of charge a suite of environmental education services that include: assemblies, transfer station tours, custodial and teacher training, in classroom support for student action projects, and support for service learning curriculum activities.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Berkeley Unified School District will continue its progress toward creating sustainable school sites through improvement of the District's recycling and composting programs through the following five commitments:

1. The Berkeley Unified School District will designate a District-wide liaison to serve as a single point of contact between our agency and your district.
2. The Berkeley Unified School District will commit to a goal of reducing the amount of readily recyclable and compostable materials in trash sent to landfill to less than 10% by 2020.
3. The Berkeley Unified School District will support annual assessment to track progress toward achieving commitment 2, including public access to annual assessment data. StopWaste.Org will fund professional annual assessments or support well-organized student and teacher led on-site assessments (as some schools have done already).

4. The Berkeley Unified School District will release an Administrative Instruction establishing District procedures for reaching the less than 10% by 2020 goal, and edit it annually to maintain accuracy. The content of the instruction is flexible and at the School District's discretion.
5. The Berkeley Unified School District will commit to provide source separated recycling and organics service.

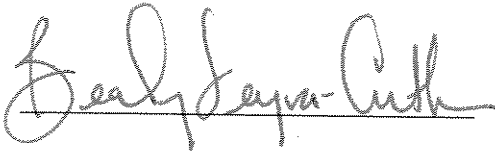
Adopted and approved by the Board of Education this 12th day of June, 2013.

AYES: Directors Hemphill, Daniels, Leyva-Cutler, Appel and Sinia

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: none

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Beatriz Leyva-Cutler", written over a horizontal line.

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler
Clerk of the Board