



# **NOVEMBER UPDATE**

I-Save is a voluntary program developed by Wayne-Westland Community Schools as an internal energy conservation program that helps our district reduce our impact on the planet, educate our students about conservation, and redirect utility dollars back into the classroom. The program was launched in August of 2008 and has been offered to all District buildings.

## **New Tool Offered to Buildings**

Only have 10 minutes before you leave for break, but you want to make a difference? Building-specific checklists are now available which list specific items (and their locations) in your building that should be unplugged, turned off, etc. before the last person leaves for break.

## **Did you know?**

Australia is so concerned about energy conservation and emissions reduction that it is mandating a nationwide phase-out of incandescent bulbs in favor of CFLs by 2010. Visit <http://www.environment.gov.au> to learn more.

## **Tricks & Tips**

Copy machine won't go into energy saver mode? This frequently happens when the paper trays are empty. This energy wasting scenario can usually be corrected by placing 20-40 sheets of 'ugly' paper in each paper bin to trick the machine into thinking the bin is full.

## **Poster Contest Winners**

Thank you to all the buildings that entered! The winners are:

- 1st Place: Nelson Sawa (Edison)
- 2nd Place: Alexis Dunigan (Schweitzer)
- 3rd Place: Corinne Johnson (Hamilton)

## **Ideas for Home**

Need a CFL for a special purpose? Check out these decorative, flood, and regular bulbs from Lowes, IKEA, & Home Depot!



## **Opportunity Arises**

With the Thanksgiving break approaching, your building will be empty for 5 days ...Is your building ready? Make sure when you leave on Tuesday that your computer (and monitor) are off. Consider cleaning out and unplugging refrigerators.

## **A new way to save?**

Did you know that one of the largest users of energy in your building is the kitchen oven? Most modern ovens pre-heat in under 10 minutes, yet many cooks turn them on long before they need them. Some facilities have been known to leave ovens on between breakfast and lunch...which consumes huge amounts of energy. Check with the food-service staff in your building to see if they can make a difference!

## **Are We There Yet?**

The district leaders for reducing electrical consumption in October were:

Graham	35.5 %	Franklin	19.0 %
Stevenson	26.0 %	Madison	18.3 %
Walker	24.8 %	Vandenberg	18.0%
Schweitzer	20.3 %	Taft	15.9%

The leaders (in electrical) for the year thus far (July-October) are:

Graham	33.4 %
Stevenson	32.1 %
Wayne Memorial	14.2 %
John Glenn	13.8 %
Ford Voc Tech	13.8 %
Dyer	13.8 %
Franklin	11.0 %

## **Need More?**

Is your building in need of additional light switch stickers or Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs? Contact Nick Thornton @ x2161 for supplemental supplies.

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