

Littleton Public Schools Announces Partnership with EPA's ENERGY STAR® Program 9/17/2009, Littleton, MA Littleton Public Schools today announced a fundamental commitment to protect the environment by becoming an ENERGY STAR Partner. The Littleton Public Schools through its voluntary partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, will work to improve energy efficiency and fight global warming. The Littleton Public Schools believes that a strategic, district energy management program will help us enhance its financial health and aid in preserving the environment for future generations.

In partnership with ENERGY STAR, Littleton Public Schools will:

- Measure and track the energy performance of its organization's facilities where possible by using tools such as those offered through ENERGY STAR;
- Develop and implement a plan consistent with the ENERGY STAR Energy Management Guidelines to achieve energy savings;
- Help spread the word about the importance of energy efficiency to its staff and community;
- Support the ENERGY STAR Challenge, a national call-to-action to help improve the energy efficiency of America's commercial and industrial buildings by 10 percent or more;
- Highlight its achievements with recognition offered through ENERGY STAR.

"ENERGY STAR partners such as the Littleton Public Schools are leading the fight against global warming by improving the efficiency of their buildings and facilities," said Kathleen Hogan, director of EPA's Climate Protection Partnership Division. "We applaud these efforts to help protect our global environment for generations to come."

ENERGY STAR was introduced by EPA in 1992 as a voluntary, market-based partnership to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency. Today, the ENERGY STAR label can be found on more than 60 different kinds of products, new homes, and commercial and industrial buildings. Products and buildings that have earned the ENERGY STAR designation prevent greenhouse gas emissions by meeting strict energy-efficiency specifications set by the government. Last year alone, Americans, with the help of ENERGY STAR, saved about \$19 billion on their energy bills while reducing the greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those of 29 million vehicles.

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