



مدرسة الوحدة الخاصة

AL WAHDA PRIVATE SCHOOL

An American Curriculum School

Conservation and Sustainability Policy 2025-2026

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Mission Statement

At AWPS, we are committed to fostering a culture of environmental stewardship, responsibility, and action. Our goal is to integrate sustainability into our daily operations, education, and community engagement—empowering students and staff to be conscious global citizens and stewards of the Earth.

1. Eco-Awareness and Education

We believe education is the foundation of sustainability. To build eco-awareness across our school community, we commit to:

- Incorporating environmental education across curricula at all grade levels.
- Hosting regular sustainability-themed events (e.g., Earth Week, Recycling Drives, Eco-Challenges).
- Encouraging student-led environmental clubs and projects.
- Displaying educational materials promoting sustainability in classrooms and common areas.

2. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle (3Rs)

We actively promote the 3R principles to minimize waste and encourage resourcefulness:

- **Reduce:** Minimize single-use plastics and encourage digital resources to cut down on paper.
- **Reuse:** Encourage the use of reusable containers, water bottles, and classroom materials.
- **Recycle:** Maintain clearly labeled recycling stations for paper, plastics, and electronics in all buildings. Ensure regular recycling pick-up and education on proper sorting.

3. Energy and Water Conservation

We strive to reduce our energy and water footprint through responsible use and efficient systems:

- Upgrade to energy-efficient lighting, appliances, and HVAC systems.
- Install motion sensors and timers to minimize unnecessary energy use.
- Promote responsible usage through student and staff reminders and signage.
- Install low-flow water fixtures and encourage reporting of leaks.
- Monitor and report monthly utility usage for transparency and goal-setting.

4. Green Certification and Sustainable Operations

We aim to achieve and maintain recognized sustainability certifications to ensure long-term accountability:

- Work toward LEED® for Schools, ENERGY STAR®, or similar “Green School” certifications.
- Partner with local environmental organizations to align with best practices.
- Implement eco-friendly purchasing policies prioritizing sustainable, non-toxic, and locally sourced materials.
- Promote green transportation options (e.g., walk/bike to school days, carpool programs).

5. Climate Action and Resilience

As climate change presents global and local challenges, we take action to reduce our carbon footprint and prepare our community:

- Conduct periodic greenhouse gas (GHG) assessments and set reduction targets.
- Increase tree planting and green space on school grounds.
- Explore renewable energy options (e.g., solar panels).

- Include climate change and climate justice topics in science and social studies curricula.
- Develop a Climate Resilience Plan to guide the school's preparedness and adaptability.

Governance and Accountability

- The **Sustainability Committee**, comprising staff, students, and community members, will oversee the implementation of this policy.
- An annual **Sustainability Report** will be published to track progress, challenges, and set future goals.

Signed,

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Principal,

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