

Fuel Efficiency Vehicle Policy

In an effort to reduce the School District's fuel consumption and energy costs, the Attleboro School Committee hereby adopts a policy to purchase only fuel-efficient vehicles to meet this goal. The Committee therefore directs that the District purchase only fuel-efficient vehicles for school use whenever such a vehicle(s) are commercially available and practicable.

Definitions:

Combined city and highway MPG (EPA Combined fuel economy): Combined Fuel Economy means the fuel economy from driving a combination of 43 percent city and 57 Percent highway miles and is calculated as follows: $=1/((0.43/City\ MPG)+(0.57/highway\ MPG))$

Drive System: The manner in which mechanical power is directly transmitted from the drive shaft to the wheels. The following codes are used in the drive field:

- AWD = All Wheel Drive: 4 -wheel drive automatically controlled by the vehicle power train system
- 4WD = 4-Wheel Drive: driver selectable 4-wheel drive with 2-wheel drive option
- 2WD = 2-Wheel Drive

Heavy-Duty Vehicle: A vehicle with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of more than 8,500 pounds.

Guidelines:

The Attleboro School District will maintain an annual vehicle inventory for ALL vehicles and a plan for replacing any non-exempt vehicles with vehicles that meet, at a minimum, the fuel efficiency ratings contained in the most recent guidance for Criterion 4 published by the MA Department of Energy Resources' Green Communities Division.

It is the responsibility of the Attleboro School District to check the Green Communities Division's Guidance for Criterion 4 for updates prior to ordering replacement vehicles.

Exemptions:

- Heavy-duty vehicles: example: such as school buses that meet the definition of heavy-duty vehicle.
- Passenger vans and cargo vans are exempt from this criterion since fuel efficient models are not currently available. However, we commit to purchasing fuel efficient passenger vans and cargo vans when they become commercially available.

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Inventory:

The following information shall be included in a Vehicle Inventory List and said List shall be updated on an annual basis and provided to the Green Communities Division:

Model	Make	Model Year	Year/Month Purchased	Drive System: 2 WD,4WD	> 8500 pounds (Y or N)	Exempt or Non- Exempt	MPG Rating	Vehicle Function
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Fuel Efficient Vehicle Replacement Plan:

All non-exempt vehicles shall be replaced with fuel-efficient vehicles that adhere to the most recent Green Communities Criterion 4 Guidance. Vehicles shall be replaced when they are no longer operable and will not be recycled from one municipal department to another unless the recycled replacement vehicle meets the fuel efficiency ratings outlined in the Policy. In addition, when replacing exempt vehicles, the function of the vehicle will be reviewed for potential replacement with a more fuel-efficient vehicle, including a fuel efficient non-exempt vehicle.

Attleboro School District will review on an annual basis the Vehicle Inventory, along with the Green Communities Criterion 4 Guidance, to plan for new acquisitions as part of planning for the new Fiscal Year Budget.

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