



## Sample Announcements about Conserving Energy

Share these announcements over the school's PA system, and at assemblies, in the lunchroom, and in classrooms. During a one-week campaign, one announcement can be shared each day. Or schools may use the announcements periodically throughout the school year and place them in school newsletters.

See the [Energy Conservation Resources](#) page for information and links about school energy assistance, energy calculators, and educational resources.

### Monday

\_\_\_\_\_ School (*insert name of school*) conserves energy! Conserving energy means using energy when we need it and not using it when we don't. Paying attention to the energy we use saves money and protects our environment.

- Look for new signs near your classroom light switches reminding you to turn off the lights when not in use.
- Keep lights off in unoccupied rooms.
- If each of us takes a few minutes to reduce energy waste, the savings will add up.

Thank you for being an energy saver!

### Tuesday

\_\_\_\_\_ School (*insert name of school*) conserves energy! Help slay the energy vampires! Energy vampires are electronic equipment that stays plugged in and sucks up energy even when the equipment is not being used.

- Be sure to unplug power cords to TV's, DVD and CD players, fans, heaters, lamps, and phone and battery chargers when not in use.

Thank you for being an energy saver!

### **Wednesday**

\_\_\_\_\_ School (*insert name of school*) conserves energy! Shut down computers at night and turn off monitors when not in use.

- A computer on standby uses approximately 90 percent less energy than an active or a logged off computer, and a computer that is turned off uses no energy!
- Shutting down 20 computers at the end of each day and before each weekend can save more than \$700 each year.

Thank you for being an energy saver!

### **Thursday**

\_\_\_\_\_ School (*insert name of school*) conserves energy! Today's energy conservation tip is to use window blinds to help heat and cool.

- Did you know that natural daylight provides free lighting and heating?
- Natural daylight has been shown to have positive health effects and to help increase test scores.

Remember to open your window blinds during the day and to close the window blinds at the end of the day.

Thank you for being an energy saver!

### **Friday**

\_\_\_\_\_ School (*insert name of school*) conserves energy and recycles! Recycling not only decreases garbage and saves natural resources, but it also saves energy!

- Recycling one ton of newspaper saves the equivalent of 3.9 barrels of oil.
- Recycling one ton of plastic bottles saves the equivalent of 3.8 barrels of oil.
- To make one aluminum can from raw materials takes 16 times more energy than using recycled aluminum cans to make a new can.

Remember to recycle paper, cardboard, bottles, cans, and cartons in your classroom and in the lunch room. Before placing bottles, cans, and cartons in the recycling bin, drink all the liquid or empty leftover liquid into a sink or leftover liquid bucket.

Thank you for recycling AND for being an energy saver!

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