

## **Environmental and Sustainability Policy**

Journey Independent School September 2025





## 1. Environmental and Sustainability Policy

- 1.1 recognizes that its activities impact upon the environment through its operations, its development, and through its influence on the wider community and acknowledges a responsibility for, and a commitment to, protection of the environment at all levels.
- 1.2 Journey Independent School will comply fully with environmental legislation and in addition will;
- Adopt and apply the principles of "sustainable development" defined as "development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".
- Minimise the resources used in its operational activities and promote the use of sustainable, recycled, recyclable and environmentally friendly resources;
- Minimise waste and pollution, operate environmentally sound waste management procedures;
- Develop and manage long term strategies for energy efficiency;
- Develop and manage long term strategies for sustainability;
- Encourage modes of transport by which minimise environmental impact;
- Promote awareness of environmental responsibilities among staff and residents;
- Work with other agencies as appropriate to promote environmental policies;
- Encourage suppliers and contractors to behave in a responsible manner and to maintain sound environmental practices;
- **1.3** Progress in implementing this policy will be reviewed annually by the Journey Independent School Board of Directors.

## 2. Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

2.1 Journey Independent School will review this policy at least every year and whenever there is a change in legislation or guidance and assess its implementation and effectiveness. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout. **Next Review Date:** 31<sup>st</sup> September 2026