Winter 2010.11 Sprinkler Irrigation/Water Conservation Plan

As part of our Energy Conservation program and the state mandate, we are asking that all sites cut back their use of sprinklers/irrigation immediately through April 1, 2011 (pending weather). The state mandate is that all commercial accounts cut water consumption by 20% before 2020 (15% by 2015).

Water is the second largest utility consumed in SJUSD behind electricity equating to over $2 million annually. Please do your part by reporting each and every leak or any person seen watering more than 2 minutes immediately to dispatch (securityaccess@sanjuan.edu) or (916)971-5743 (LSIE - Look and Share Irrigation Efforts).

At every district campus:

- No water should be found on without a staff member’s hand about to turn it back off.
- Report EVERY leaky faucet.
- There should be NO water running down sidewalks or puddles on any campuses that are not due to weather this winter!

What does this mean for staff?

- Irrigation techs have already begun setting back irrigation clocks to only run for 2 minutes per section on Sunday nights. This is just long enough to clear the system.

- Custodians – all hand watering is to be cut back also. The systems need to be turned on for about 2 minutes (one complete cycle) to keep the seals tight and flush the systems in order to avoid issues this spring. This means turn it on, let the water spray for just one sprinkler head rotation, and then right back off. Please do not let the system run.

What if someone on your campus feels you need more time?

Any requests for exceptions need to go through the Energy Conservation Review Process, please contact us at (916)971-5743 or contact Bill Dunn, Mike Anderson or one of our Energy Education Specialists, Terri Dodd and Lori Lewis, for assistance.

Thank you for your continued support of the Energy Conservation Program! We have avoided spending over $360,000 in utility related expenses in the first quarter, July – September 2010, through your efforts.

If it drips, it goes ........... when not in use.