# CCSD Energy Conservation Program BOE Update

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## **CCSD Energy Conservation**

#### Purpose:

- To maintain comfortable learning environment while minimizing consumption of utilities.
  - Good for the environment.
  - Cost Avoidance / Minimize the rate of increase.
    - Energy: ~2% of budget.

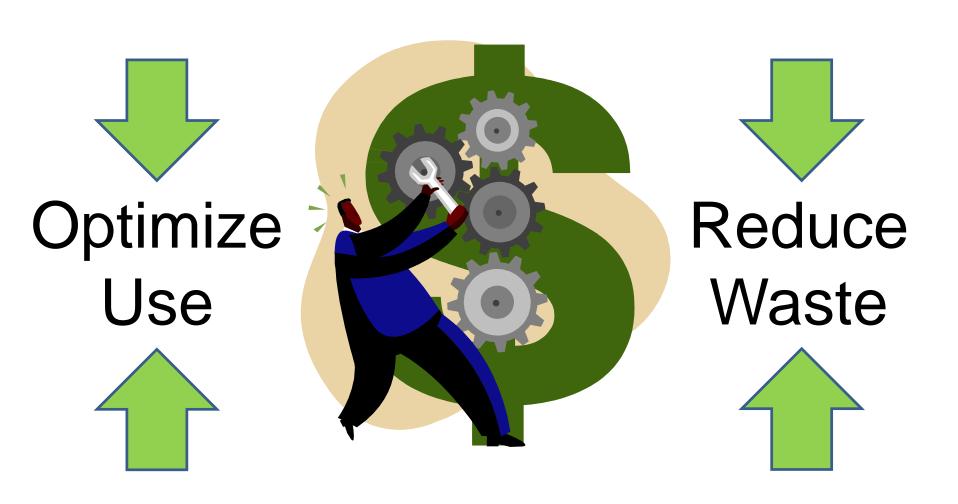
#### Three Components

- Education
  - Energy Education
    - Awareness of energy consumption
  - Behaviors
    - Turn lights out when you leave the room
    - Shut off computer monitor at the end of the day.
- Purchasing
  - EPEX Consortium purchasing
  - Aggregate purchasers of gas and electric to leverage economy of scale.

## **CCSD Energy Conservation**

- Three Components, continued...
  - Equipment
    - Technology: Amerseco / TBS
      - Use of building automation to control heating and cooling systems to maximizing conservation while maintaining comfort.
        - » Systems automatically lower thermostat settings after school.
    - Electronic ballast / fluorescent lighting, Occupancy / Photo sensors, Energy efficient motors
- Energy Program Management
  - Energy Specialist Rob Humphries
    - Monitors building usage and comfort during occupied times.
    - Monitors operational efficiency of equipment.
    - Communicates repair issues to district staff.
    - Supports the district's energy policy and guidelines.
    - Audits buildings during occupied and unoccupied times.
    - Tracks & analyzes energy consumption for all buildings
    - Monitors utility bills for issues and errors.
    - Creates a climate of conservation.

## **CCSD Energy Conservation**



### **Energy Program Success**

#### **Success Factors**

- 1. Teamwork All personnel
- Data analysis Energy Specialist
- 3. On-site training and expertise— Cenergistic
- 4. Comprehensive facility audits
  - Expert identification of energy conservation opportunities throughout system facilities

#### **Program Benefits and Features**

- Budget Cost Avoidance
- Environmental Conservation of natural resources
- 3. Self-funding program Conservation activities cover costs for the program
- 4. Longevity Program designed to be ongoing, with free support from Cenergistic after paid contract term

#### **Teamwork**

#### The success of the program depends on everyone!

#### Special thanks go to:

- Board of Education for supporting a methodical approach to energy conservation
- Administration for supporting the program
- Principals and Staff for coordinating efforts in their schools
- Teachers & students for reducing energy waste in classrooms
- Maintenance for troubleshooting, repairing, and PM
- Custodians & Supervisors for operation of manual controls & reporting issues

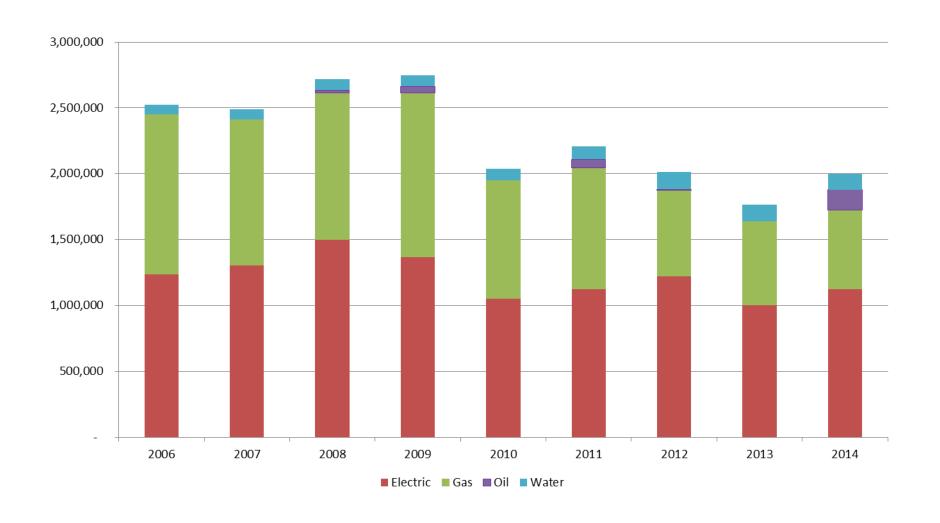
## A Day in the Life of an Energy Specialist

- Perform building audits at occupied and unoccupied times
  - Temperatures, lights, fans, water leaks, electronics, boilers, pumps
- "Comfort" calls
- People problem vs. Computer problem vs. Mechanical problem
- Program BAS/EMS settings and schedules for occupied times
- Audit electric, natural gas, oil, & water utility bills
- Planning for seasonal changes & extended breaks
- Promoting an "energy conservation culture"
- Training with Cenergistic Engineers and Consultants
- Continually assess and re-assess the program (marathon)



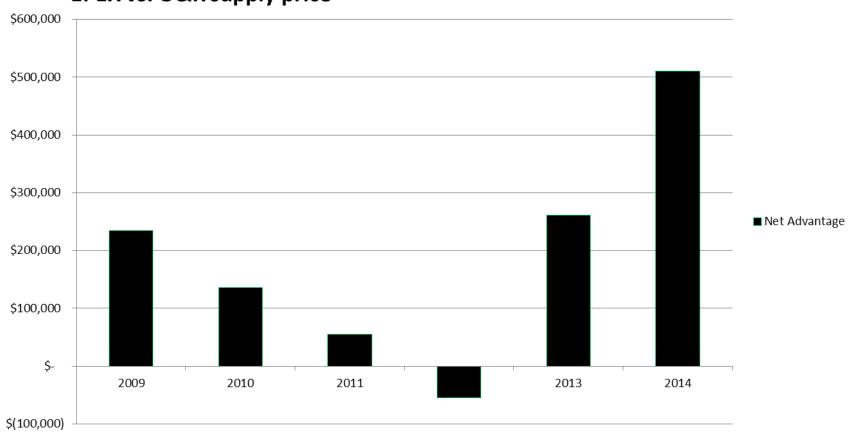


## CCSD Utility Expenses (WinCap)



# Utility Supply Purchasing Consortium

#### **EPEX vs. O&R supply price**



#### MEASUREMENT and VERIFICATION

#### **EnergyCAP & IPMVP**

software using industry standard written by the

U.S. Department of Energy

International Performance Measurement & Verification Protocol

(U.S. DOE Document #DOE/GO-102002-1554)

#### Cost Avoidance

(Expected energy usage - actual energy usage) x today's unit cost

#### MEASUREMENT and VERIFICATION

- In order to account for changes in energy usage from year-to-year, the standard prescribes that adjustments be made for ...
  - Changes in weather
  - Changes in building sq. ft. including the addition/removal of portables
  - Adding/removing mechanical systems & other energy-consuming technology (FFMS cafeteria A/C, NHS Annex boilers, ...)
  - Differences in monthly billing cycles between the base period & current reporting period

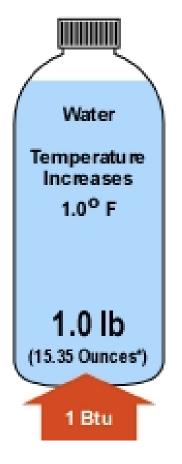
## Since March 2009, CCSD has reduced our expected energy use by 16% (EnergyCAP)

**Expected energy use:** 717,763 mmbtu **Actual energy use:** - 603,617 mmbtu **Avoided use:** = 114,146 mmbtu

Electric = 20%

Gas = 14%

Water = 10%



## **Energy Program Environmental Impact**



#### Equivalent to one of the following:

Greenhouse gas reduction (metric tons)  $CO_2$  6,955 Tree seedlings planted & grown for 10 yrs 178,346 Passenger cars not driven one year 1,449

# Since March 2009, CCSD has avoided spending over 18% on utilities (EnergyCAP)

Expected energy cost: \$14,216,570

Actual energy cost: -11,613,884

Avoided energy cost: \$2,602,687

Utility refunds: + 99,914

Program benefit: \$2,702,601

Electric = \$1,540,532

Gas/oil = \$1,141,743

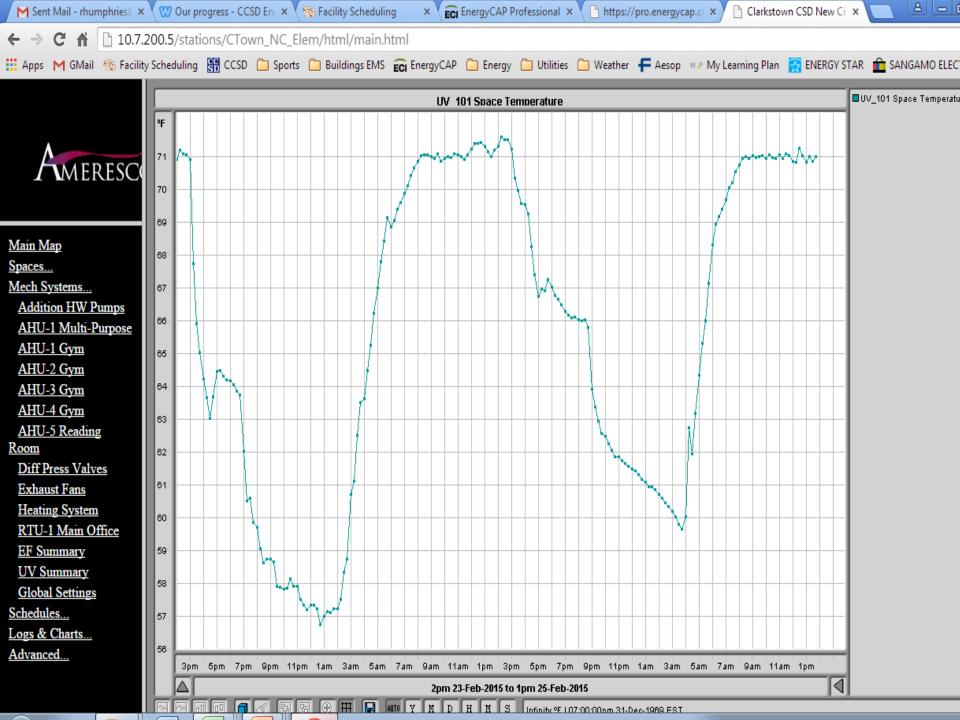
Water = \$20,326



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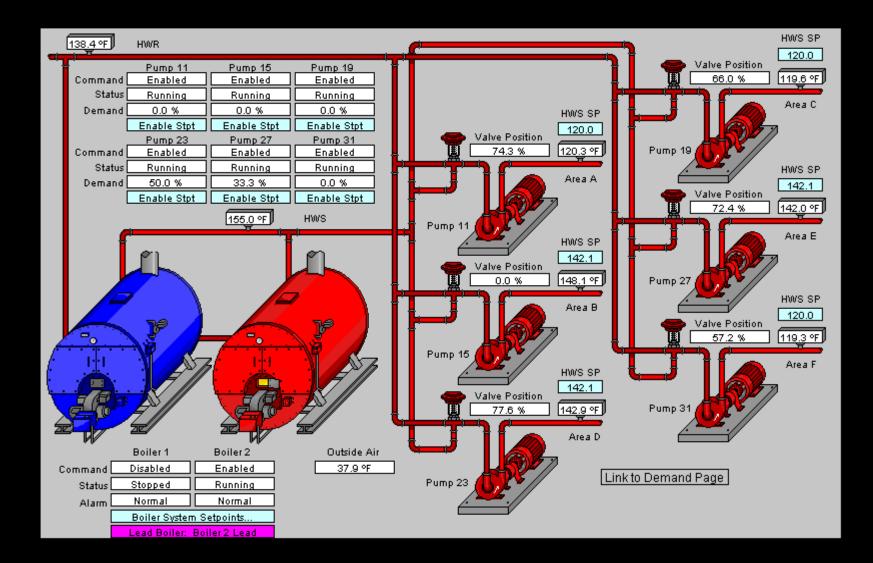


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Awareness



### **Happy Holidays!**

As you prepare for the holiday break, please do your part to

consider energy conservation opportunities.



#### Remember to:

- Set-back adjustable thermostats
- Consolidate, clean, and defrost refrigerators
- Turn off or unplug non-essential energy-using items (does it have a light or clock?)
  - Report temperature and ventilation problems immediately

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## It's time to give thanks



Thank you for remembering to shut off all unnecessary lights and electronics every day.

Please remember to <u>defrost your refrigerator</u> over the break.

Happy Thanksgiving!

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## Oops!

If you found your electronics on, even "sleeping", after returning from the snow days & break, energy was wasted and unecessary costs were incurred.

#### Please remember to:

- Set-back adjustable thermostats nightly
- Turn off or unplug non-essential energy-using items nightly (does it have a light or clock?)
- Report temperature and ventilation problems immediately

Thanks for everything you do to help save!

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When I was young, I was afraid of the dark.



#### Happy Halloween!

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## Saving Energy Saving Dollars

Now, when I see the electric bill,



I'm afraid of the lights!



Please remember to conserve by:

- adjusting thermostats
- turning off or unplugging all unnecessary electronics
   reporting all heating issues immediately

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Saving Energy Saving Dollars

Shutting off your electronic equipment should be a "no brainer"



Overall, we are achieving a 78% electronic shutdown efficiency

## Congratulations to Laurel Plains ES - Leading the way with an 87% shutdown efficiency!

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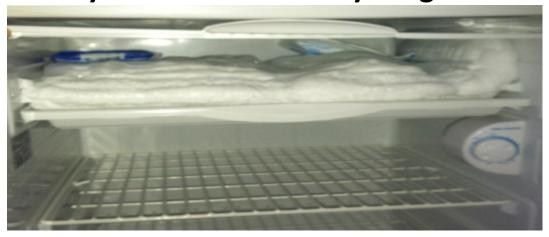
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- turning off or unplugging all unnecessary electronics
  - reporting all heating issues immediately
- consolidating & unplugging refrigerators over the break

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## Saving Energy Saving Dollars

#### Does your freezer look anything like this?



If so, spring break is the perfect time to defrost!

Even if it doesn't look this bad,

shut it down over the break anyway.

(Ask your custodian for assistance)

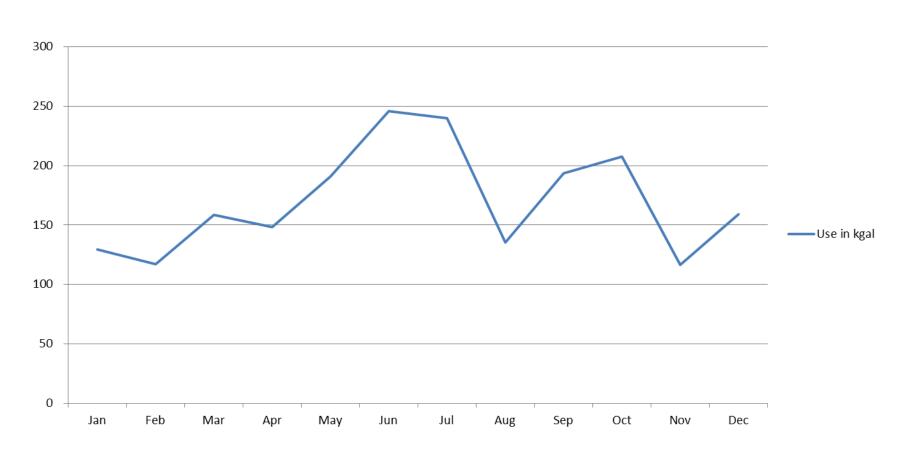
Please remember to conserve energy daily by:

- adjusting thermostats
- turning off or unplugging all unnecessary electronics
   reporting all heating issues immediately

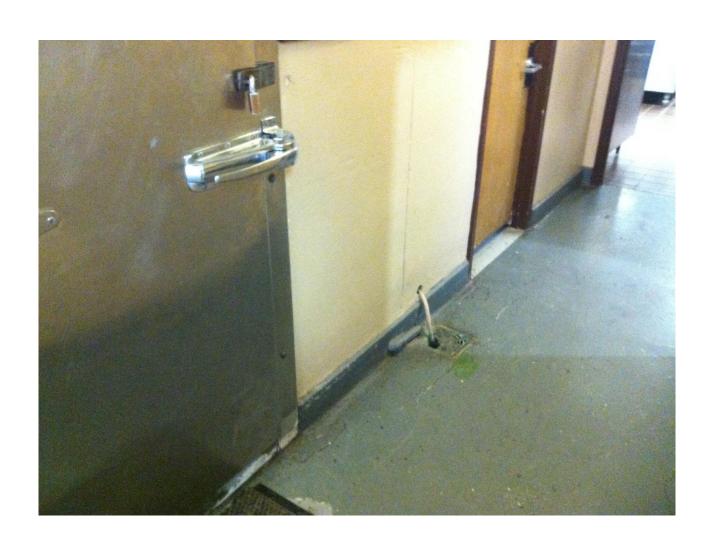
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## Utility bill auditing

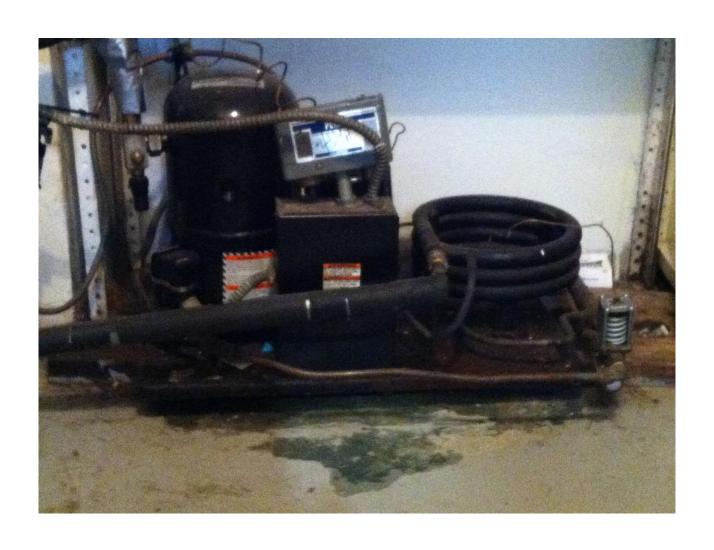
#### **NHS** main water



## NHS walk-in refrigerator



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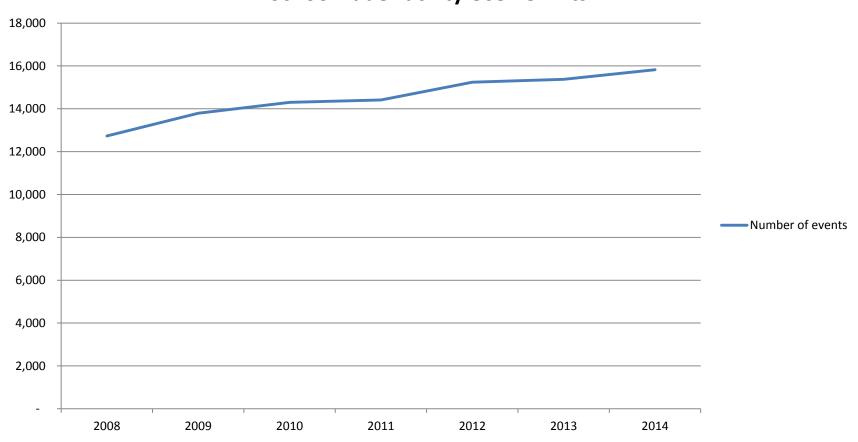


## <u>Challenges</u>

- Keeping 2 people happy in the same (office) space
- Multiple systems with multiple thermostats in same space, split rooms, etc.
- Increased after-hours facility use
- Aging equipment & technology:
  - DDC, analog, pneumatic, local
- A/C in classrooms (IEP)
- Plug-Load "creep": electronics, appliances
- Increased charges: new capacity zone (Demand)

## Facility usage is increasing

#### **SchoolDude Facility Use Permits**



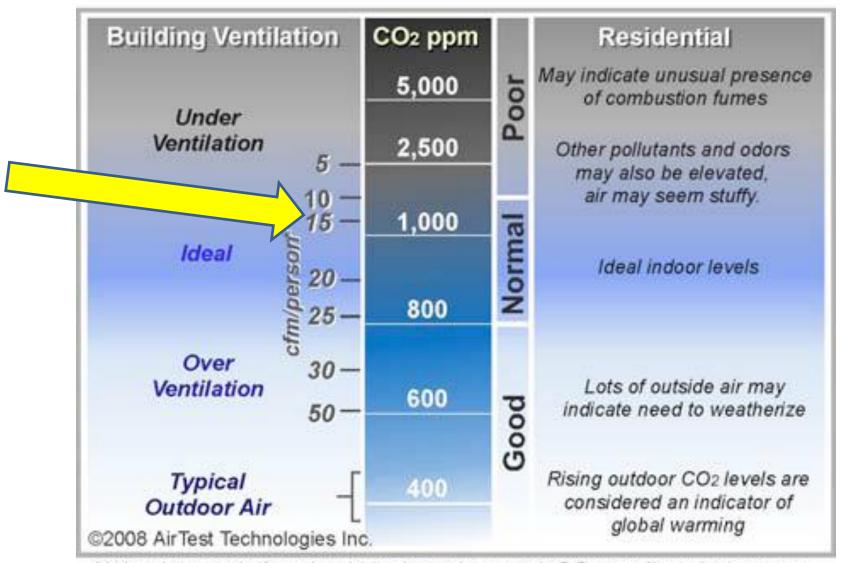
What do you see?







#### Understanding Indoor CO2 Levels



Note: Interpretation should be based on peak CO2 readings in a space.

## $O_2 \rightarrow Carbon Dioxide \rightarrow O_2$

Requires 15 cubic feet of fresh air

per person - **per MINUTE!** 



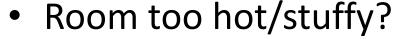


## Classroom unit ventilator



## What's the problem?

- Room too cold?
  - Thermostat(s) need calibration
  - Hot water valve stuck CLOSED
  - outside air damper stuck OPEN
  - Fan



- Hot water valve stuck OPEN
- outside air damper stuck CLOSED
- intake grill blocked
- UV really noisy?
  - Lube & adjust











## Large Electric Billing





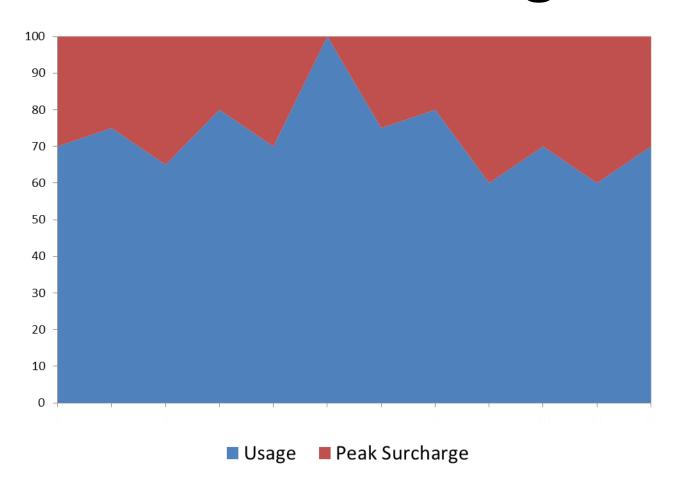
## 1) Kilo-watt hours ~ miles driven



## 2) Demand (kw) ~ Max. speed



## Peak Demand charges ...



~ 25% of our electric cost

## ... like getting a speeding ticket EVERY MONTH



## Opportunities

- Continue energy awareness:
  - Email reminders, building audits, "dis-comfort calls"
- Continue auditing utility bills and investigating anomalies
- NHS & Congers construction adjustments via Cenergistic & EnergyCAP
- O&R "Green Team" & NYSERDA Flex-Tech audits:
   control systems, walk-in refrigerators, lighting, NHS DHW tanks
- "Demand" ventilation/air quality efficiency: gym, auditorium, cafeteria, ...
- Wi-fi enabled controls: BERT
- NYS: Executive Order 88 (municipal, SUNY), PowerNY, Energy Highway
   "Sandy" effect: Solar, wind, CHP, micro-grids

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Believe it or not, spring is here.
Summer weather will not be far behind.

I miss hating the summer heat.





#### Please remember to:

- Set-back adjustable thermostats nightly
- Turn off or unplug non-essential electronics nightly
- Keep windows closed while the heat is on
- Report temperature and ventilation problems immediately

Thanks for everything you do to help conserve!

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