

University of La Verne Energy Star Purchase Policy

Purpose: The University of La Verne has adopted an Energy Star Purchasing Policy and has made the commitment purchase Energy Star merchandise to uphold our commitment to environmental sustainability.

Description: “ENERGY STAR is a government-backed program helping businesses and individuals protect the environment through superior energy efficiency.”

Departments should analyze the short- and long-term savings of an Energy Star appliance over a less energy efficient model before every purchase.

The Energy Star website has a calculator tool for most appliances that can be used to calculate the long-term energy savings from a particular Energy Star appliance:

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=bulk_purchasing.bus_purchasing

The website lists the key benefits of using Energy Star products as:

- These products use 25 to 50% less energy
- Reduced energy costs without compromising quality or performance
- Reduced air pollution because fewer fossil fuels are burned
- Significant return on investment
- Extended product life and decreased maintenance

The appliances listed on the website are abundant and diverse and include the following product categories:

- Commercial Appliances: i.e. commercial clothes washers
- Commercial Food Service: i.e. dishwashers, refrigerators, vending machines, etc.
- Commercial Heating & Cooling: – i.e. air conditioning units
- Construction Products: – i.e. windows, roofs, etc.

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- Electronics: - i.e. televisions, did players, telephones, etc.
- Office Products: – i.e. computers, printers, scanners, copiers, water coolers, etc.
- Residential Appliances: - i.e. refrigerators, clothes washers, dish washers, freezers, etc.
- Residential Heating & Cooling: – i.e. room air conditioners, ceiling fans, furnaces, thermostats, etc.
- Residential Lighting: – i.e. compact fluorescent bulbs, light fixtures

Purchase requisitions for non-Energy Star compliant products, must include justification based on our overall mission, and are subject to administrative review.