## The Head-Royce Green School Mission

As part of its mission to prepare global citizens, the Head-Royce School is committed to being a Green School. Aware of the significant environmental challenges we face in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, our School strives to be a leader in demonstrating how to establish a more sustainable way of living. Part of the "green schools initiative," Head-Royce is committed to providing a healthy environment for students and staff while promoting ecological sustainability.

## The School seeks to:

- Use resources in a sustainable way, by utilizing energy efficiently and by incorporating clean, renewable technologies in existing buildings and in new construction.
- Create a healthy educational community by offering nutritional food on campus, by expanding the on-campus green schoolyard garden program, and by participating in the farm-to-school program.
- Develop the educational program to emphasize ecological sustainability, environmental health, nutrition, personal responsibility and leadership.
- Ensure that the School environment is as free as possible from toxic substances or harmful chemicals.
- Urge the wider School community—faculty, administration, staff, parents, and alumni—to embrace the effort to pursue sustainable living practices.

By teaching our students to be stewards of their communities, the earth and its resources, we strive to educate the next generation of leaders to make a difference in improving the environment for humanity.

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