

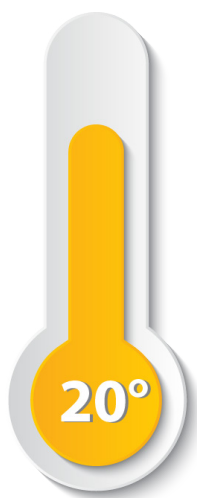
SAVING NATURAL GAS



Why do we need to reduce energy consumption?

As a result of the pipeline rupture in October 2018, FortisBC is forecasting a shortfall of natural gas through the winter. With a reduced supply of natural gas available, customers across BC are being asked to continue to conserve energy.

The Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows School District uses natural gas to heat its schools and facilities. In order to do our part to conserve natural gas, we will be turning down thermostats when schools are not in session. Our temperatures will be:



20° Celsius
during school days
(7:30am - 3:30pm)



15° Celsius
when schools are
not in session

Thermostats will remain set at these temperatures until the FortisBC natural gas advisory is lifted.



How can you help?



Turn down the thermostat. Keep classroom thermostats adjusted to 20°C during school hours, and 15°C when schools are not in session.



Cozy clothes. Make sure you dress appropriately to stay warm and comfortable inside your school or classroom.



Don't let the heat out. Keep classroom and school doors closed during recess and lunch so the heat doesn't escape. Also, whenever possible, keep classroom windows closed to avoid heat loss.