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Ameresco Partners with Saginaw Public Schools to Upgrade District Wide LED Lighting

Comprehensive lighting modernization to drive efficiency, reduce costs, and support student success through sustainable infrastructure

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. & SAGINAW, Mich.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [Ameresco, Inc.](#), (NYSE: AMRC), a leading energy infrastructure solutions provider, today announced a district-wide LED lighting upgrade project at Saginaw Public School District, advancing its commitment to reducing energy consumption and lowering operating costs across all facilities. The comprehensive initiative will modernize lighting systems throughout the district, improve overall building efficiency, and create brighter, more consistent learning and working environments for students and staff. By investing in energy-efficient LED technology, the district is taking a proactive approach to sustainability while redirecting long-term savings back into educational programs and student support services.

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Ameresco Supports LED Lighting Upgrade for Saginaw Schools

The project includes a comprehensive LED lighting retrofit with

lighting controls across 12 schools, three service-related facilities, and the district's Board of Education administration building. In total, the project will replace more than 12,000 lighting fixtures with high-efficiency LED technology and modern control systems.

The project is structured as an energy savings performance contract (ESPC), with guaranteed energy savings, and is expected to reduce electricity use while generating annual cost savings for the district. Installation work began in early April and is expected to be completed by August 2026.

"This lighting project is a smart investment in both our operations and our long-term sustainability goals," said Tim Furtaw II, Executive Director of Facilities for Saginaw Public Schools. "By significantly reducing energy consumption and delivering guaranteed savings, we're lowering operating costs, improving lighting quality across our schools, and reinvesting those savings back into our district to support students and staff for years to come. Furthermore, after an exhaustive search for a non-proprietary, non-manufacturer-led energy-saving performance contract company, Ameresco fit the bill perfectly for what I envisioned. Ameresco worked closely with me and my facilities staff to ensure we were getting a project that fit our needs and saved me a lot of time handling the research, engineering and bidding documents to ultimately getting this project off the ground!"

“Projects like this are about delivering practical, long-term value,” said Lou Maltezos, President of Central & Western USA, Canada Regions at Ameresco. “Upgrading lighting across the district improves efficiency, enhances visibility, and helps drive cost savings while supporting reliable school facilities.”

Upon completion, the district-wide LED upgrade will position the district for long-term operational efficiency and environmental responsibility. By modernizing its lighting infrastructure, the district is not only reducing energy consumption and maintenance costs, but also creating brighter, more comfortable spaces that support teaching and learning. This collaboration reflects a shared commitment to fiscal stewardship, sustainability, and investing in infrastructure that delivers meaningful benefits for students, staff, and the broader community.

To learn more about ESPC and Energy Performance Contracting offered by Ameresco, visit www.ameresco.com/espc-energy-savings-performance-contract/.

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