# *Get SMART about your SMART Board!*

***I am often asked: "How much energy does my SMART Board use?" GOOD QUESTION!***

*I used the district's watt meter to do some SMART Board testing and here is what I found…*

- ***Completely shut down, your SMART Board has a plug load (energy that is drawn even when an item is not in use) of 10 watts.*** *The only way to get to zero is to unplug it completely. If you can, it's a great strategy over long breaks such as Winter, Spring or Summer!*
- ***When it is ON, your SMART Board draws over 175 watts!*** *Remember to shut it down anytime you are not using it for teaching! SMART Boards fire up very quickly, so shutting them down during the school day when you are not using it to teach, at lunch and right when the kids leave for the day is a great way to save energy in your classroom!*
- ***The difference between 175 and 10 is HUGE! Help us save energy and money by shutting down your SMART Board any time you can!***

***THANKS for all you do!***

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