

KNA Production Facility Installs Energy Efficient Lighting

Kumon Service North America (KSNA) operates a 6735 square meter warehouse and printing facility near Cincinnati, Ohio. Nearly 100 Kumon Associates work in the production and distribution of Kumon materials to Centers throughout the United States, and to Kumon warehouses in Canada, Mexico, Asia, and Europe. More than 80 million worksheets were produced there in 2016.

Minimizing waste ensures the best use of resources and is a major focus for Steve Dummitt, Vice President of KSNA. “We are consistently trying to recycle more and use less paper and electricity,” he said. “Reducing our consumption saves money and helps the environment. Both are important goals for us.”

KSNA is responsible for about half the total electricity used by KNA. Therefore, when it was time to replace the 15-year-old lighting system in the warehouse, KSNA seized the opportunity to increase the efficiency of operations. The new fluorescent lighting system uses bulbs that will last about three times longer than the old ones.



The new system also reduces maximum electrical demand by 1381KWH per month and reduces cooling demand by 17,000BTU. The new lighting system will save hundreds of dollars a month in utility bills.

John Elmore, Manager of Distribution at KSNA, raised an additional benefit of the new lights. “Better quality of lighting increases labor output. The environment will be brighter and more cheerful for Kumon Associates,” he said.

