

FF - NAMING FACILITIES

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for the naming of district facilities.

The board is responsible for naming district facilities.

The term "district facilities" will be defined as a school building or group of school buildings sited within a campus or a district building and property which provides administrative, operational, academic, or athletic support to schools.

Naming a district facility is a matter of great importance. It is a matter which deserves thoughtful attention from the board and the administration. Personal prejudice or favoritism, political pressure, or temporary popularity should not be an influence in choosing a facility name. Generally, the board prefers to name entire school sites for recognized geographical areas.

Many individuals serve the district long and faithfully and the ability to make choices in the naming of facilities would be extremely difficult. Therefore, no entire district facility will be named for an individual, living or deceased.

Under certain circumstances, the board will consider requests from school and community groups or supporting organizations to name a special area within a new or existing district facility or campus. Special areas may include a portion of a single building, single athletic field or structure, or a specific room or area within a district facility or campus. Naming one of these special areas after a person or after a donor individual or supporting organization which gives substantial funds to construct or maintain a district facility, may be considered. The board will consider the request only after recommendation of the administration.

The superintendent will prepare and the board will approve a procedure for the board to follow when naming district facilities and any special areas as described above. An orderly, announced procedure will lessen the community or factional pressures which so quickly build up when the selection is delayed or seems uncertain. A prompt decision will reduce disappointments and advance community solidarity.

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Legal References: