

CONCEPTS AND ROLES

The Governing Board recognizes that one of its major responsibilities is to provide healthful, safe and adequate facilities that enhance the instructional program. The Board shall endeavor to make the provision of adequate school facilities a priority in the District. Because the schools serve as a focal point for the community, the Board shall also strive to ensure that District facilities fit harmoniously and attractively into their neighborhoods and have flexibility of design to meet future educational and community needs.

The Board shall strive to have a school facilities master plan in place and regularly reviewed in light of the District's educational goals. In accordance with this plan, the Board shall:

1. Approve additions or major alterations to existing buildings
2. Determine what new buildings shall be built, when and where, and what equipment shall be purchased for them
3. Determine the method of financing that will be used
4. Select and purchase school sites for future expansion
5. Approve the selection of architects and structural engineers
6. Award contracts for design and construction
7. Name schools and individual buildings
8. Advocate school facility needs to the community

The Superintendent or designee shall:

1. Assess the District's short- and long-term facility needs
2. Direct the preparation and updating of the facilities master plan
3. Oversee the preparation of bids and award of contracts
4. Supervise the implementation of the District's building program in accordance with the master plan, Board policy, and state and local requirements, including collaboration with the architect and contractor on the construction of new facilities and modernization of existing facilities
5. Represent the District in official governmental interactions related to the building program

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

39000-39018 General provisions (school sites)

39110-39120 Plans of schoolhouses

39140-39159 Approval of plans and supervision of construction

39180-39183 Building of schoolhouses

39190-39200 Factory-built school buildings

39210-39232 Fitness of buildings for occupancy; liability of board members

39300-39325 Leasing of school buildings

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14000 Policy declaration

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14001 Minimum standards

14010 Procedure for site acquisition

14030 Preliminary procedure, planning and approval of school facilities

14031-14032 Submissions to bureau of school facilities planning; approval