

	ABERDEEN SCHOOL DISTRICT	NEPN Code: FEA
	POLICIES AND REGULATIONS	

FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

EDUCATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION

To insure that facilities being planned are designed best to implement the educational program, the superintendent or his/her designee will provide for the establishment of educational specifications to apply when planning and building school facilities.

To insure that the proposed building meets the needs of its users, the superintendent or his/her designee, the Board's construction committee, and the Director of Operations shall establish a building design team to work with the architect/engineer to review aspects of the school facility relating to the District's facilities standards and to develop project specifications for the building. Included in the building design team may be administrators, teachers, staff members, parents, students, and community members.

The educational specifications shall:

- address the needs of persons who will use the facility
- support the educational activities to be provided in the facility
- identify the kinds and amounts of furniture and equipment needed
- develop appropriate relationships among areas of facility (e.g., band room and library; playing fields and locker rooms; front office and general school control; and student traffic patterns)
- optimize site considerations of aesthetics, vehicle traffic patterns, cooperative community use, etc.
- integrate standards of construction to assure that the facility is constructed according to current building codes and readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities
- any other kinds of unique information that will give guidance to an architect

Final specifications shall be reviewed by the building design team. Specifications may be modified following this review; however, the specifications must meet the Board's facilities standards as outlined in Policy FAA. If the project's scope is changed during the specification development process, the revisions will be presented to the Board for approval of final changes to the project's scope. Decisions involving costs under \$10,000 can be made by the Board construction committee.

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