

**SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Springfield, New Jersey 07081**

**POLICY: LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLANNING**

To ensure that district facilities will be able to meet the future needs of the educational program, the Board directs the Chief School Administrator to develop procedures for collecting relevant information, including but not limited to:

- A. The changing educational needs of the district;
- B. Relations with the total community;
- C. Plant and site aesthetics;
- D. Changing makeup of district population as to age distribution, educational levels, etc.;
- E. Community planning and zoning;
- F. Financial ability of the school district;
- G. Safety and welfare of pupils;
- H. True economy reflecting full value for each tax dollar expended;
- I. Optimum access for disabled pupils;
- J. Relationship between projected new facilities and those already in existence.

Planning for major rehabilitation and remodeling will be incorporated into the school district master plan on a scheduled basis.

**Substandard Facilities**

All existing school facilities will be evaluated annually for their suitability to current district needs. Any facilities found to be substandard according to the administrative code shall be corrected as quickly as possible in compliance with law.

**Legal References:**

N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-7 Appropriation by school district of undesignated fund balance; amounts allowable

N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-26 Distribution of state aid for facilities  
N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-1 through -44 et al. Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act  
N.J.S.A. 18A:11-2 Power to sue and be sued; report; census of school children  
N.J.S.A. 18A:33-1 District to furnish suitable facilities; adoption of courses of study  
N.J.S.A. 18A:33-1.1 Substandard facility; approval; inspection; abandonment  
N.J.A.C. 5:23-1.1 et seq. Uniform Construction Code  
N.J.A.C. 5:23-7.1 et seq. Barrier Free Subcode  
N.J.A.C. 6A:10A-1.1 et seq. Improving Standards-Driven Instruction and Literacy and Increasing Efficiency in Abbott School Districts  
N.J.A.C. 6A:23-8.1 et seq. Annual Budget Development, Review and Approval  
N.J.A.C. 6A:25-1.1 et seq. Qualified Zone Academy Bond Program  
N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.1 et seq. Educational Facilities  
N.J.A.C. 6A:30-1.4 Evaluation process for the annual review  
N.J.A.C. 6A:32-8.1 et seq. Attendance and Pupil Accounting  
N.J.A.C. 6A: 32-12.1 Reporting requirements  
N.J.A.C. 6A: 32-12.2 School level-planning  
N.J.A.C. 6A: 32-14.1 Review of mandated programs and services

Manual for the Evaluation of Local School Districts

**Cross References:**

2240 Research, evaluation and planning  
2255 Action planning for T&E certification  
3100 Budget planning, preparation and adoption  
3220/3230 State funds; federal funds  
3260/3270 Sale and disposal of books, equipment and supplies; sale, licensing and rental of property  
3360 Rental/long-term leasing  
7115 Developing educational specifications

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