

## FA Facilities Development Goals/Priority Objectives

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Category: Optional

### A. Policy Statement

As the Board seeks to incorporate the most appropriate and cost-effective risk management techniques for loss prevention and control, and to overcome deficiencies in its physical plant, it strives to provide new and remodeled facilities that will offer the best possible physical environment for learning and teaching. The Board specifically recognizes the need for and importance of regular and substantial capital maintenance, renovation, improvement, and expansion consistent with realistic fiscal constraints.

### B. Facility Considerations, Goals and Objectives

In establishing specific facility plans, the Board will use the following considerations, goals, and objectives among others:

1. Facilities, including buildings, ground, and playing fields, that will accommodate organization and instructional patterns that support the district's educational philosophy and instructional goals.
2. Meeting all safety requirements through the remodeling and renovation of older structures.
3. Providing building renovations to meet requirements on the availability of public school facilities to handicapped persons whenever possible.
4. Building design, construction, and renovation that will lend themselves to low maintenance costs and the conservation of energy.
5. Facilities that will also lend themselves to community use in ways consistent with the district's overall goals.
6. Keeping the community informed about the condition of district facilities as well as the perceived needs in the areas of capital improvement expansion and acquisition.

Decisions pertaining to education specifications of new buildings and those undergoing extensive remodeling will be developed with the input of teachers, students, parents, and the community.

### C. Capital Improvement Program

The Facilities Director will prepare and update a long-range capital improvement program, to be reviewed at least every 2 years with the Capital Improvement Committee, that identifies district school facility goals, provides projected expenditures, and outlines procedures and guidelines to be followed to accomplish Board and District goals. This program will be provided to the Department of Education pursuant to RSA 198:15-a, so that the state can project funds needed for building projects occurring in the district and elsewhere.

## Legal References

RSA 198:15-a

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