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### **Facilities Planning**

It is the aim of the Board to develop facilities for the Division that will meet the educational requirements of the community both today and into the future. To this end, the Board delegates joint responsibility to the Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer, the Committee of the Whole Finance/Facilities, and the Committee of the Whole Education to do long-range planning for needed school sites and facilities and to report and make recommendations to the Board on these matters.

In carrying out this responsibility, they may call upon the assistance of the Board Office, principals of schools, school staff and representatives of the community.

The objectives of the long-range planning are:

- I. To improve the educational environment for students and teachers by raising the physical standards in all buildings to match the most effective facilities already existent in the Division.
2. To create school complexes which are the best possible balance of effective grouping of educational resources, efficient management and operations, and community concerns for the character of the school system.

The long-range plan will be reviewed and modified as needed to conform with changes in projected enrollments, demographic shifts, programs of study, and the availability of funds.

The Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer or designate together with the Director, Facilities and Operations will ensure that a current inventory of all public school physical facilities, together with size of sites, building capacities, and age of buildings is maintained within the Division.

Based on enrollment projections and demographic trends, the Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer or designate will annually make recommendations for adjustments of facilities which may include:

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- Changes in school attendance area boundaries and student assignments;
- Temporary facilities or alterations to buildings;
- Reduction of facilities in service.

The Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer or designate will make recommendations for major construction, alteration, and renovation programs requiring capital funding.

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