FACILITIES PLANNING

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Purpose: To establish the board's vision for planning for long-range facility needs.

The board may initiate long-range needs determination surveys on the recommendation of the superintendent or by the board's own appreciation of need.

The board will determine needs based upon the following criteria.

- the extent of use of existing facilities
- the students to be accommodated at a particular time and projected into the future
- the educational goals of the district
- the extent of non-school or shared use of the facilities
- demographic projections for birth rates, population growth and economic conditions

The superintendent, with the full participation of the professional staff, will develop educational specifications for new school facilities or renovations of existing ones. The superintendent may use consultants when he/she deems it necessary.

Additionally, the board may employ the assistance of professional persons to help the district conduct a needs determination survey. The administration and/or specialist will present findings to the board for action.

The board may seek input from the community in determining long-range needs.

All construction, improvement and renovation of district property will comply with standards and specifications set forth in the South Carolina Department of Education's *South Carolina School Facilities and Planning and Construction Guide*.

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Legal references:

- A. S. C. Code of laws, 1976, as amended:
 - 1. Section 59-23-210 Construction, improvement and renovation of public schools; compliance with the South Carolina School Facilities Planning and Construction Guide; committee members; submission of plans.