

SCHOOL AND FACILITY NAMES

School buildings, rooms, and structures, both on school grounds and within school facilities, shall be named only by formal action of the Board of Education. In naming schools, rooms, and structures, the Board shall honor the highest ideals and integrity of this district and the community it serves. The Board may name a school building, room, or structure after an individual only when such individual has been determined to characterize sustained and exemplary service to others.

An honoree may not be a school district employee or officer at the time of designation, and shall have left the position before the effective date of such memorialization or have been deceased at least one year prior to the effective date of such memorialization. If the honoree is a student, the naming honor shall not be considered unless fifteen years have passed from the date such student's class graduated or, if the student is deceased, at least one year has passed prior to the effective date of such memorialization. This Policy shall not apply to (i) non-permanent school property, including bricks, separate walls, walks, trees, memorials, or installed property which depicts or identifies the name of any person or organization recognized for contribution or recognition, no matter the form, as previously approved by resolution of the Board; and (ii) trophies, plaques, tournaments, or awards depicting or identifying the name of any person or organization existing at the time of the latest approval of this Policy by a sitting Board.

Any individual recommended for memorialization of a school building, room or structure name may be identified for such to the Board by a committee comprised of Board members, District employees, students, and community members. The committee's recommendation to the Board shall be accompanied by a written rationale which includes, but is not limited to, the individual's length of service to others, examples of exemplary service performed by the individual, the individual's impact upon the District and community, and the ideals and integrity that were consistently demonstrated by the individual. The Board has the sole discretion to determine whether the individual identified by the committee will be memorialized in a school building, room or structure name.

This policy does not obligate the Board to maintain the individual's memorialization of a school building, room or structure name for any specified period of time. Memorialization of a school building, room, or structure name may also be withdrawn at any time if the individual is subsequently found to have engaged in any activity that is detrimental to the best interests of this District or which does not honor the highest ideals of this District and the community.

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