



NEW CONSTRUCTION: Occupying

Naming of the Building and Dedication

I. Philosophy

- A. The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) reserves the right to approve, or reject, a name for a new school building upon receiving a recommendation from the Superintendent. Moreover, the Board reserves sole control and authority over the naming of any school and the right to rename a school at any time if the name is deemed by the Board to be inconsistent with its educational mission or otherwise disruptive to the learning environment.
- B. The Board may name a school after:
  - 1. The community, the subdivision, the street on which it is located;
  - 2. The geographic location of the school;
  - 3. A significant and distinguishable landmark, which will immediately assist anyone in locating the general area of the school;
  - 4. A deceased, prominent person who has made an outstanding contribution of service to Baltimore County, the State of Maryland, or to the United States.
- C. The Board further reserves the right to approve or reject proposals for erecting memorials in the form of plaques or monuments in new school buildings or on their sites, including, but not limited to, the design, wording, and placement of the memorial.

II. Implementation

- A. The Board directs the Superintendent to establish procedures for the naming of school buildings and dedication ceremonies following completion and occupancy of a new school project.

Related Policies: Board of Education Policy 7330, *Capital Projects that are Funded by Private Donations*  
Board of Education Policy 7530, *Naming of a Capital Project or Area of a School*

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