

Policy

SCHOOL CLOSING

The Egg Harbor City Board of Education recognizes that appropriate facilities for the educational program are essential to student achievement. The board further recognizes that declining enrollments, diminished resources, district reorganization, or other good cause may require that the use of one or more district facilities for educational purposes be closed.

The board will not commit itself to the closing of any school facility without first having collected and considered appropriate information regarding pupil enrollments, the educational adequacy of school facilities, relevant safety and traffic factors, district revenues, and alternative district organizational plans. The board will invite community participation in the analysis of that information and the formulation of recommendations. Information on any proposed district reorganization will be disseminated to the public, and public response will be invited by all appropriate means.

Ultimately the board alone is responsible for the organization of the school district and the establishment and closing of school facilities. Formal action to accomplish those ends shall be taken only by the board duly convened.

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Key Words

School Closing, Building Retirement

Legal References:	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:11-1	General mandatory duties and powers
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:20-36	commissioner may order alteration or abandonment of buildings
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A: 22-1	Budget and Appropriations, Type 1 districts
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:26-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Educational Facilities
	<u>See Particularly:</u>	
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:26-7.4	Approval for the disposal of land

Possible

Cross References: *3220/3230 State funds; federal funds
*3260/3270 Sale and Disposal
*3280 Gifts, grants and bequests
*3440 Inventories
*6171.3 At-risk and Title 1
*7110 Long-range facilities planning

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.