

3290: NAMING OF SCHOOLS (AP)

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POLICY

The Board of Education shall determine the names of schools and other facilities governed by School District 70 Pacific Rim. School and facility names will be established and reviewed in accordance with the criteria and processes outlined in this administrative procedure.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

- 1.0 Generally, schools will not be named after individuals. Instead, criteria for naming schools shall typically consider
 - 1.1 the name of the street on which the school is located, or
 - 1.2 the name of the area/community/region the school is to serve, or
 - 1.3 a historical name that once applied to or is connected to the area.
- 2.0 At the discretion of the Board, however, Trustees may consider naming a school after a distinguished individual deserving recognition. Where the Board considers naming a school after an individual, criteria considered shall include, but not limited to, the following
 - 2.1 the individual's accomplishment or contribution worthy of recognition
 - 2.2 how this accomplishment or contribution reflects and shapes School District and/or community values
 - 2.3 the individual's overall behaviour, past and present, as it relates to the District's core beliefs and expectations
- 3.0 The Board will approve the name of a new school following a process that seeks input from the staff, students and community to be served by the new school. School or facility names will be approved by a majority vote of the Board.
- 4.0 Where there is a compelling reason for the Board to consider renaming a school, the Board will seek input from the staff, students and community served by the school before approving a school name change by a majority vote of the Board. The renaming of a school shall be consistent with the criteria and process noted above.
- 5.0 The Board does not need to approve alterations of a school name connected to changes in grade configuration.

Legal References:

School Act – Sections 96-99