



310: SCHOOL CLOSURE/RECONFIGURATION (P)

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POLICY

The Board of Education recognizes that it has a responsibility to its community for the effective and efficient operation of schools within the district. The Board realizes that from time to time it may be necessary to consider individual schools for changes in grade configurations and/or permanent closure.

The Board recognizes that even the contemplation of closure or reconfiguration may create hardship, stress and an emotional toll on families, staff, and the community at large. The Board is committed to being sensitive to those impacts and to only approaching the potential for closure or reconfiguration when it is absolutely necessary to do so.

The Board's final decisions will be based upon the collection and analysis of relevant data, including impacts on children, families, the community, and which would provide solid rationale should reconfigurations and/or permanent closures be considered. In each case a process will be developed which provides for public discussion, including consultation with parents, students and staff and the community.

References: School Act-Sections 22, 65, 73, 85, 94
 Ombudsman Act – Section 23
 School Opening and Closure Order – September 2008