



Section Six: School District Facilities

“Together We Learn”

630 – DEDICATION AND NAMING OF SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES

Introduction

The Board of Education acknowledges the importance of naming and dedication of schools and facilities to enhance the sense of ownership and identification the community has with its school. The Board of Education believes that school district facilities should be named in reference to historical, geographical or operational characteristics. Consideration will be given to names that will have significant meaning to students, Indigenous peoples and members of the community.

Policy

1. Naming of Schools

- 1.1 Recommendations regarding the naming of new facilities or the renaming of existing schools/sections of schools will be received and considered by the Planning and Facilities Committee.
- 1.2 The Planning and Facilities Committee will recommend a name to the Board for approval.

2. Dedication of Schools and District Facilities

- 2.1 Except where otherwise determined by the Board, new schools or District facilities will be named in reference to historical, geographical or operational characteristics.
- 2.2 When new permanent school district facilities are built, an official public dedication ceremony shall be held.
- 2.3 As time can elapse between the awarding of a construction contract and the official opening of a district school facility, the trustees' names inscribed on the plaque shall be those in office when the construction contract was awarded. The date shall be the year of completing the construction.
- 2.4 The official public dedication ceremony for each new permanent school facility shall follow the Guidelines established by the Ministry of Education *and Child Care* and the Board of Education. The principal of the school, in consultation with the District staff, school staff, students, and the Parent Advisory Council, is responsible for determining the date of the public dedication ceremony.
- 2.5 Invitations to the public dedication ceremony shall be issued to all current trustees and former trustees who can be contacted.

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