

POLICY Board of Education of Queen Anne's County

Responsible Office:	Facilities Planning and Development <u>Supporting Services</u>
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NAMING OR RENAMING OF PUBLIC FACILITIES SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES

I. PURPOSE

To provide consistent and equitable practice regarding the naming or renaming of public schools, school facilities, or a portion of a facility in Queen Anne's County.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

The Board of Education shall establish the official names of all the public schools, school facilities, or a specific area on a school campus in Queen Anne's County through a collaborative process involving school system staff and members of the community. The Board of Education shall not name buildings for persons living or deceased. Public School names **Names** will normally pertain to a geographic section of the county. School facility names will normally be named for the service(s) provided at that facility or the department(s) housed in that facility.

When naming or renaming a specific area of a public school, consideration may be given to historical figures or persons who have made outstanding educational contributions to the facility or school system.

III. RATIONALE

Limiting the names of public schools to geographic areas in the county where they are located will prevent potential conflict and facilitate the finding of public schools and school system facilities within the county. The Public Schools Laws of Maryland do not contain any provisions which limit or preclude the Board of Education's authority to establish procedures for the naming of public schools.

IV. DEFINITIONS

A "public school" is a building or structure where instruction is conducted or school sanctioned events take place.

V. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent shall develop Administrative Procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state and federal laws and regulations and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.

VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This policy is effective April 10, 2024.

Patricia Saelens, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Queen Anne’s County Public Schools

HISTORY:

<u>Initial Adoption</u>	<u>09/05/2012</u>	<u>Revised</u>	<u>02/07/2024</u>	<u>Reviewed</u>		<u>Next Review</u>	
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