

# POLICY

## BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

**Related Entries: Policy 200.08**

**Responsible Office: BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR SELECTION OF SCHOOL SITES**

#### **A. PURPOSE**

To affirm compliance with the Education Article, *Annotated Code of Maryland*.

#### **B. ISSUE**

If the Board gives preliminary approval of a school site, the Board shall hold a public hearing if:

1. the Board considers it desirable;
2. 100 or more adult residents of the county petition in writing for a hearing; or
3. the county council asks for a hearing.

#### **C. POSITION**

The Education Article provides that:

1. The hearing shall be held no sooner than ten days after a notice has been published in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the county, advising interested persons of the opportunity to present their views.
2. Any petition by residents of the county shall be filed at the office of the Board within 15 days after the Board gives preliminary approval of the site;
3. If a hearing is held, minutes shall be kept and, after deliberation, the Board shall send the minutes of the hearing and its recommendation to the State Superintendent for use in making a decision on approval of the site.
4. A request for site approval may not be made by the Board to the State Superintendent until after 15 days following action on recommending the site; or, if a hearing is held, until after the hearing, whichever occurs last.

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**Note previous policy history:** Replaces Policy 200.08, adopted 12/6/89.