

POLICY

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

Related Entries: Policy 704

Responsible Office: Chief Operating Officer

THIRD-PARTY IMPROVEMENTS TO SCHOOL PROPERTY

A. PURPOSE

To ensure that improvements or changes proposed by external community individuals/ groups meet established criteria relative to materials, equipment, alterations, and funding.

B. ISSUE

From time to time, principals receive requests for third-party improvements to their schools from individuals, parent groups, firms, organizations, and other third parties not under the supervision and control of the Board.

C. POSITION

The Board of Education of Anne Arundel County (Board) supports the efforts of individuals, parent groups, firms, organizations, and other third parties not under the supervision and control of the Board to make improvements to, or otherwise enhance the condition of, Board property. At the same time, the Board has the legal responsibility to ensure that any such improvements by a third party be done in a manner that supports the school's programs and activities. All improvement projects having a value of \$25,000 or more shall require Board approval prior to commencement. For those projects valued at less than \$25,000, the Superintendent or Superintendent's designee shall carry out an evaluation of all proposals.

Representative improvements to be considered include:

1. Support activities that benefit a school-sponsored activity or the school as a whole, such as playground equipment, stadium lights, or theatrical equipment;
2. Supplement architectural, landscaping, or aesthetic enhancements to the facility for neighborhood compatibility; and/or

3. Improvements that enhance community use of schools, such as a larger gymnasium or a new concession stand.

D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

Policy History: Adopted on 8/17/11.

Note previous policy history: Replaces Policy 704, adopted 2/14/79 and revised 11/20/89, 01/23/02.