

RESOLUTION
Resolution Relating to the Naming of a School Facility

WHEREAS, Board Policy 810, Name Rights & Naming School Facilities, establishes the criteria and procedures for granting naming rights in relation to School District facilities;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Board Policy 810, the School District may name or re-name a school facility by either passing a formal resolution or entering into a written agreement that addresses the nature of the new name or naming right;

WHEREAS, the School owns a facility currently named the “Public School Stadium,” which is a stadium located at Denfeld High School;

WHEREAS, under Board Policy 810, once a facility is named, that name will remain with the facility unless changed or removed by the School Board;

WHEREAS, the District received a naming rights request with respect to the Public School Stadium;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board Policy 810, a committee was created to consider and recommend an appropriate name for the Public School Stadium;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board Policy 810, naming rights may be by consideration – in which a contributor makes a financial contribution, sponsorship, or the provision of equipment, materials, land or services in return for naming rights;

WHEREAS, alternatively, naming rights may be by recognition – in which the naming rights are a recognition of outstanding service to the School District in an academic or administrative capacity, recognition of achievements of distinguished alumni, or recognition of generous financial or other contribution that was not rendered in consideration of granting of naming rights;

WHEREAS, the committee met and considered a number of proposed names for the Public School Stadium, and has recommended renaming by recognition to the “Walt Hunting Stadium - Marv Heikkinen Field”;

WHEREAS, the School Board is the body which ultimately decides whether to remove an existing name and whether a facility shall be renamed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, as follows:

1. The stadium currently named Public School Stadium, located at Denfeld High School, 401 N 44th Ave W, Duluth, MN 55807, is hereby renamed as follows:

Walt Hunting Stadium - Marv Heikkinen Field

2. This name change shall be effective on July 1, 2023, and shall remain in effect unless changed according to Board Policy 810.
3. District staff are directed to take all steps necessary to effectuate this change, including but not limited to purchasing signage for the stadium, which shall be subject to School Board approval to the extent necessary by Minnesota law or District policies for purchases.