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5 Construction and Repairs

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7 Before commencing new school construction or repairs, the District shall submit plans for
8 construction of a new school or an addition to or an alteration of an existing school to DPHHS or
9 the local health authority for review and approval. Plans shall include the following where
10 applicable:

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- 12 (a) Location and detail of classrooms used for science or science laboratories,-consumer
13 science, art classrooms, art supply rooms, mechanic/carpentry, and industrial arts,
14 including location and ventilation detail of lockable storage area of chemicals and
15 other hazardous products;
 - 16 (b) Location and detail of janitorial facilities;
 - 17 (c) Specifications for the sewage treatment and disposal system to serve the school unless
18 previously approved;
 - 19 (d) Specifications for the water supply to serve the school unless previously approved;
 - 20 (e) Locations for all emergency eyewash and shower stations, which shall
21 meet the American National Standard for Emergency Eyewash and Shower
22 Equipment;
 - 23 (f) Location and detail of laundry facilities including description of equipment
24 and a flow chart indicating the route of laundry through sorting, washing,
25 drying, ironing, folding, and storage;
 - 26 (g) Specifications for the final finishes of floors, walls and ceilings in toilet,
27 locker and shower rooms, laundries, and janitorial closets;
 - 28 (h) Statement from the designer of the facilities that lighting capable of meeting the
29 minimum requirements of ARM 37.111.830 will be provided;
 - 30 (i) Location and detail of the solid waste storage facilities;
 - 31 (j) name of DEQ-approved sanitary landfill which will receive solid waste from the
32 school;
 - 33 (k) Specifications for a food service to serve the school unless the food service has
34 been previously approved by the DPHHS and/or local health authority;
 - 35 (l) Any other information requested by the DPHHS or local health authority
36 relating to the health, sanitation, safety, and physical well-being of the teachers,
37 staff, and students;
 - 38 (m) Specifications for any new or modified playground equipment, which shall comply with
39 the standards of the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission's 2010
40 Handbook for Public Playground Safety and the requirements of the 2010 ADA
41 Standards for Accessible Design;
 - 42 (n) Specifications for any new or modified air intakes;
 - 43 (o) Specifications for any radon-resistant technique used in the building process;
 - 44 (p) Documentation reflecting how the topography of the site will permit good drainage
45 of surface water away from the school building to eliminate significant areas of
46 standing water and infiltration of surface water into the school building;.
 - 47 (q) Specifications showing all chemical storage areas in new construction will be
48 constructed to maintain negative air pressure to eliminate contamination of the
49 school's indoor air quality by being vented to the outside of the building;

- (r) Specifications showing gas supply lines serving science laboratories, consumer science, industrial arts, and other rooms utilizing multiple outlets will have a master shut-off valve that is readily accessible to the instructor or instructors-in-charge without leaving the classroom or storage area;
- (s) Specifications showing industrial arts classrooms or buildings and other rooms using electrically will operated instruction equipment which presents a significant safety hazard to the student utilizing such equipment shall be supplied with a master electric switch readily accessible to the instructor or instructors-in-charge without leaving the classroom or storage area.
- (t) Specifications showing that janitorial storage spaces will be lockable, have sufficient storage are for equipment and chemicals; and be vented to the outside of the building.
- (u) Specifications showing that hot and cold water shall be provided to handwashing sinks and shower facilities. Hot water shall not be below 100° F nor exceed a temperature of 120° F.
- (v) Documentation showing DPHHS the use of radon prevention strategies in new construction.

The District shall not commence construction may not commence until all plans required by this policy been approved by DPPHS or the local health authority. Construction shall be in accordance with the plans as approved unless permission is granted in writing by the DPHHS or the local health authority to make changes.

Change of Use in Existing Building

The District shall not use an existing building not currently utilized as a school without the prior approval of the DPHHS or the local health authority. The District shall comply with this policy when modifying a building in order to be utilized as a school.

The District is authorized to use of modular or mobile buildings in response to temporary or permanent closure of the existing school facility, segments thereof, or classroom overflow when plans are submitted and approved by DPHHS or the local health authority.

Legal Reference:	Section 50-1-206, MCA	50-1-203, MCA	50-1-206, MCA
	37.111.804, ARM	Preconstruction Review	
	37.111.805, ARM	Existing Building – Change of Use	
	10.55.701(s), ARM	Board of Trustees	
	10.55.701(l), ARM	Board of Trustees	

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