

Construction

Construction of Physical Facilities

Selection of Site

School sites should be located as near as is practical to the center of the attendance area the schools are expected to serve. It is also desirable for school sites to be located in such a way as to facilitate joint use of the sites and adjacent parks, playgrounds and open space by both the school and the town recreation agency.

The Town's Permanent Building Committee has the authority to investigate, examine and recommend sites for schools.

In recommending sites for school facilities, the Board of Education desires that the following factors should be considered:

- Size
- Location
- Drainage and soil conditions
- Topography and elevation
- Accessibility
- Cost

This should be done utilizing the State Department of Education's **Administrative Services** Site Analysis Form (~~ED053~~ **SCG-053**) and in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes.

Prior to the approval plan for any new construction, extension or replacement of a school facility, ~~the town and the Permanent Building Committee shall provide for a~~ Phase I environmental site assessment in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials Standard #1527, Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Process, or similar subsequent standards **shall be conducted**.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
 10282 School building projects.
 10-291 Approval of plans and site. Expense limit. (as amended by P.A. 03-220)
 10-292 Review of final plans by Commissioner of ~~Education~~ **Administrative Services**. Exceptions; role of local officials.
 New Fairfield Code of Ordinances
 Section 8: Building Committee, Sec. 2-171(d)

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