

## EDUCATIONAL FACILITY CONSIDERATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

The Superintendent, with the full participation of the staff, shall develop educational, functional, and operational specifications for new school facilities. Arrangements will be made by the superintendent, working through principals and other administrators, for the school staff to contribute to the planning of new school buildings.

Teachers shall be given the opportunity and encouraged to submit suggestions for possible inclusion in the educational specifications. If educational specifications for the new school building necessitate program changes, arrangements shall be made for the appropriate training of staff members so that they will be adequately prepared for implementing the necessary changes.

Consultants also may be utilized in the development of educational specifications when deemed necessary by the superintendent and approved by the board.

The District may apply to the State Board of Education for funds for capital outlay, new construction, renovations, and major plant maintenance. In doing so, the district shall comply with the appropriate state statutes. Additionally, and as appropriate while meeting all federal and state statutes, the board may seek funds from federal sources to help defray the cost of capital outlay and improvements to school facilities of the district.

All capital improvements which are financed in whole, or in part, with funds received from the state public building fund shall have the site plans and specifications approved by the State Department of Education. Regardless of the source of funding, site plans and specifications must be approved by the State Department of Education.

Subsequent to approval by the state of working drawings and specifications, the Board shall solicit bids to be submitted on or before a specific time as set forth in the request for proposals, bids or qualifications. An advertisement as required by state regulations shall specify that the Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to re-advertise the project if necessary.

All contracts for capital improvements which are financed in whole or in part with funds received from state local and/or federal funds shall be awarded and entered into upon receipt of sealed bids in the manner set forth in statute and federal regulations.

SOURCE: Jackson Public School District, Jackson, Mississippi  
LEGAL REF: Sections 37-45-3, 37-47-17, 37-47-19, 37-47-29, et seq.; Mississippi Code of 1972  
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