

Public School Facilities Authority Statewide District Meetings – Adequacy Standards



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New Mexico Public School Facilities Authority

Partnering with New Mexico's communities to provide quality, sustainable school facilities for our students and educators.

Agenda

- Development and Purpose of Statewide Adequacy Standards
- NM PED Standards for Excellence and the Adequacy Standards (now New Mexico Content Standards)
- Adequacy Standards and the Adequacy Planning Guide
- Statewide Visits
- Summary Sheet
- Handout

Development of Statewide Adequacy Standards

- **Developed in response to Zuni lawsuit (1999)**
 - District Court ruled that public school capital outlay funding was violating the State Constitution that guarantees establishment and maintenance of a “uniform system of free public schools sufficient for the education of all children of school age”
 - Court ordered the State to “establish and implement a uniform funding system for capital improvements and for correcting past inequities”
- **1999 – 2001 PSCOC develops draft “New Mexico Public Schools Facility Adequacy Standards”**
- **2002 - PSCOC adopts first version of the Adequacy Standards**
 - Establish the **minimum** acceptable level of physical condition and enrollment capacity of school buildings
 - Provide a **measuring stick** to evaluate any existing or proposed public school building
 - Defined **minimum** sizes of select space types, based on PED Standards for Excellence
- **2002 – 2004 Statewide Assessments and Ranking of Schools**
- **2004 – First Standards-Based funding awards, based on the statewide ranking**

Statewide Adequacy Standards Purpose

Adequacy Standards are used to *measure and evaluate* all *existing* public school buildings in New Mexico

- PSFA assesses every school against the same set of minimum requirements, as defined by the Adequacy Standards
- PSFA collects data on each school, school building, building systems' age and condition, space use, utilization, and space deficiencies.

New schools should be *designed to exceed* the minimum requirements in the Standards

wNMCI and Ranking

- PSFA uses data collected from school assessments to calculate the weighted New Mexico Condition Index (wNMCI) score for each school
- Schools with the most deficiencies (relative to the minimum requirements in the Adequacy Standards) are identified as having the greatest capital need, resulting in a higher wNMCI score
- Annually, the PSFA created a ranked list of all schools, based on the wNMCI scores
- The wNMCI Ranking prioritizes schools with the greatest needs to receive State funding first

$$\text{wNMCI} = \frac{\text{COST TO CORRECT FACILITY CONDITION DEFICIENCIES AT A SCHOOL} + \text{COST TO CORRECT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY DEFICIENCIES AT A SCHOOL}}{\text{COST TO REPLACE THE SCHOOL}}$$

Adequacy Planning Guide

The Adequacy Planning Guide is intended for NEW schools

- Best practices guide for the design of new schools
- Based on national and local school planning criteria
- Performance criteria, estimated project size and cost
- Defines the limit of state funding participation
- Maximum Allowable Gross Square Feet Calculator
- Adequacy Standards Minimum + 30% tare + 20-40% Unassigned GSF



Adequacy Standards Past Updates

“The New Mexico public school statewide adequacy standards are *dynamic* and the council plans to review them regularly and change them as time and circumstances require.” (6.27.30.2 NMAC)

| Year | Site Features | Building Spaces |
|------|---|--|
| 2002 | Parking, Play Area/Playground for ES, Hard Surface Play Area and Play Field for MS and HS, Fencing for K-6 only | Special Ed not included, 3000 and 5000 NSF minimum Career Ed at MS and HS, cafeteria minimum 10-15 NSF per student |
| 2005 | Minor technical changes | Special Ed classroom requirement added, Career Ed reduced to 3 and 4 NSF per student, Cafeteria minimum set at 15 NSF per student, Student health minimum and maximum size defined |
| 2007 | Added Hard Surface Play Area and Play Field for ES, MS and HS, Fencing for All Grade Levels | Classroom storage minimum NSF added to minimum classroom NSF, Art classroom minimum NSF increased from 2.5 to 4 NSF per student, Career Ed minimum size reduced to 650 NSF, Cafeteria sized for no more than 3 turns, Student health maximum size eliminated |
| 2010 | Minor technical changes | Special Ed kitchenette requirement added |
| 2012 | Minor technical changes | Minor technical changes |
| 2019 | Minor technical changes | Minor technical changes |

Adequacy Standards – Statewide Meetings

| District | Date | Time | Address | Building Name |
|-------------|--------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Artesia | 30-Aug | 5 pm to 7 pm | 301 Bulldog Blvd | Administration Building |
| Las Vegas | 6-Sep | 5 pm to 7 pm | 5th and Frieman | Robertson High School Library |
| Deming | 13-Sep | 5 pm to 7 pm | 310 West Elm Street | Smith Administration Building |
| Farmington | 27-Sep | 5 pm to 7 pm | 3401 East 30th Street | Administration Building |
| Rio Rancho | 29-Sep | 5 pm to 7 pm | 5400 Obregon Road NE | Enchanted Hills ES |
| Albuquerque | 30-Sep | 10 am to 12 pm | 1312 Basehart | Rotunda |

District Staff in Attendance:

- Superintendent
- Safety Officers
- Nurse
- Librarian
- Music Teacher
- General Education Teacher
- Maintenance
- Principals

Albuquerque Meeting

- Design Professionals

Summary

Common Themes:

- CTE Space
- Security
 - Vestibules
 - Cameras
 - Fencing
- Classroom sizes
- Nurse Suite
- Need for ancillary spaces to support various services provided to students
 - Speech therapy
 - Physical therapists
- Special Education
 - Restrooms in classroom
 - Changing stations
 - Lifts
 - Storage for mobility and therapy equipment
- Storage, for classrooms, Special Education and maintenance equipment
- Gyms
- Participation in Athletic spaces and Performing Arts

Next Steps

- Financial Analysis
 - What are the deficiencies state wide
 - How will changes effect the ranked list
- Present to PSCOC
- Public Hearings
- Present to PSCOC
- Incorporate changes into Adequacy Standards
- Publish
- Update data base with new deficiencies

Thank You



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