

NAMING SCHOOL FACILITIES

The North Middlesex Regional School Committee believes that naming a school or school facility is an important matter that deserves thoughtful consideration, established processes, and has the support from the local community.

The name of a public school or public school facility should be an appropriate representation and reflection of the school and community.

It is appropriate to name schools for physical locations; geographical area; distinguished local, state, and national leaders whose names will lend dignity and stature to the school; or significant or pertinent events. Personal prejudice or favoritism, political pressure, or temporary popularity should not be an influence in choosing a name.

Any member of the school or community shall have the opportunity to present suggestions for names of public schools or public school facilities. All suggestions should be forwarded with supporting information to the superintendent's office.

The school committee may acknowledge generous donors by designating appropriate spaces within the school district's facilities consistent with the level of financial commitment. Any acknowledgment shall follow the procedure in Policy FF-R and Policy KHB.

A public hearing shall be held on any proposed names before the school committee takes a vote. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the school committee is needed to name an area of a school. A unanimous vote of the school committee is required for the naming of a new building.

CROSS REF:

FF-R Naming School Facilities Criteria
KHB Advertising in Schools