

Regulation 7111: Evaluating Existing Buildings

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The Superintendent or designee shall periodically evaluate the adequacy, design, and conditions of existing district facilities to determine whether they meet the needs of the instructional program and provide a healthful and pleasing environment for students and staff. He/she also shall determine whether district facilities fulfill legal requirements for safety and structural soundness, access for the disabled, and energy conservation.

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall regularly calculate the capacity of existing school buildings to adequately house the district's current students and projected enrollments.

Any identified needs for repair, modernization, or construction shall be incorporated into the district's facilities planning process.

Structural Safety

In the event that the Department of General Services or any licensed structural engineer or licensed architect finds and reports to the Governing Board that a district building is unsafe for use, the Superintendent or designee shall immediately obtain an estimate of the cost of repairs or reconstruction necessary to bring the building up to legal standards for structural safety. The Board shall establish a system of priorities for the repair, reconstruction, or replacement of unsafe school buildings. (Education Code 17367)

A relocatable school building or structure shall meet the requirements of Education Code 17280-17317 and 17365-17374 pertaining to structural safety. (Education Code 17291)

Energy Efficiency

To the extent that services are available, the Superintendent or designee shall arrange for the energy audit of school buildings to identify the type and amount of work necessary to retrofit buildings and obtain an estimate of projected energy savings. The district may contract with qualified businesses capable of retrofitting these buildings and may borrow funds which do not exceed the amount of energy savings to be accumulated from the improvement of the buildings. (Education Code 17651-17653)

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State

2 CCR 1859-1859.199

Ed. Code 17070.10-17077.10

Description

[Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act](#)

[Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998](#)

Ed. Code 17071.10-17071.40

[Existing school building capacity](#)

Ed. Code 17280-17317

[Building approvals](#)

Ed. Code 17365-17374

[Field Act; fitness for occupancy; liability of board members](#)

Ed. Code 17650-17653

[Retrofitting school facilities for energy conservation](#)

Gov. Code 53097

[Compliance with city or county ordinances](#)

Gov. Code 53097.5

[Inspection of schools by city or county](#)

Management Resources

Description

Website

[CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services](#)

Website

[Department of General Services, Office of Public School Construction](#)

Website

[California Energy Commission, Bright Schools Program](#)

Website

[Coalition for Adequate School Housing](#)

Website

[CSBA](#)

Website

[California Department of Education, School Facilities](#)

Cross References

Code

Description

0410

[Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities](#)

3280

[Sale Or Lease Of District-Owned Real Property](#)

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[Sale Or Lease Of District-Owned Real Property](#)

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[Green School Operations](#)

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[Energy And Water Management](#)

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[Facilities Inspection](#)

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[Safe Routes To School Program](#)

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7000	<u>Concepts And Roles</u>
7110	<u>Facilities Master Plan</u>
7160	<u>Charter School Facilities</u>
7160	<u>Charter School Facilities</u>
7212	<u>Mello-Roos Districts</u>
7213	<u>School Facilities Improvement Districts</u>