

3. Safety and welfare of students
4. Relationship between existing and new facilities
5. Community planning and zoning requirements
6. Other site specific information which provide guidance in the planning of facilities

Legal Reference: Education Code  
35275 New School Planning and Design (Re Cooperative Relations With Recreation and Park Authorities)  
17260-17267 Plans of School Buildings  
17302 Preparers of Plans, Specifications and Estimates; Qualification; Observation of Construction  
17307 Compliance with the Provisions of this Article and Approval of the Department of General Services  
17316 Contract Provision Required Making Plans etc. Property of District  
17365-17374 Fitness for Occupancy

Code of Regulations, Title 5  
14030(a) Educational Specifications  
14031 Plan Approval Procedures for Non-Self Certified Districts  
14032 Plan Approval

**14035 Planning Guides "The Guide for Planning Educational Facilities"**  
**NUESTRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**NEW CONSTRUCTION**

**Policy No.: 7111**

**Evaluating Existing Buildings**

**Board Adopted: 1/17/06**

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The adequacy and design of all existing Nuestro Elementary School District school facilities shall be evaluated periodically in terms of meeting the needs of the instructional program and fulfilling the requirements of law regarding safety and structural soundness, accessibility to the handicapped and energy conservation.

A primary consideration in evaluating existing facilities shall be the preservation of a healthful environment for students and staff as well as providing an aesthetically pleasing learning and working atmosphere.

In the evaluation of existing buildings, the installation of energy conserving devices, including insulation or the implementation of other design modifications, shall be considered as permitted by law for purposes of reducing energy costs.