

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

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(LOCAL)

**Compliance with Law**

The Superintendent shall be responsible for establishing procedures that ensure that all school facilities within the District comply with applicable laws and local building codes.

**Professional Services**

The administration shall recommend employment of such professional services as needed for architectural and engineering design and appraisals, soil analyses, construction testing services, planning, and ~~for~~ other specific job requirements. Fees shall be established at the time of employment and shall be no more than the prevailing rate for such services.

**Construction Contracts**

For each construction contract valued at or above ~~\$50,000~~ the competitive purchasing threshold established in law, the Superintendent shall recommend to the Board the project delivery/contract award method that they determine provides the best value to the District. [See CV series generally and CBB(LEGAL) for requirements if federal funds are involved; see also CH(LEGAL) and (LOCAL)]

The Board may approve one or more general construction delivery methods for all projects subject to approval of alternate methods for individual projects.

For construction valued at or above \$1,000,000, the Superintendent shall submit the required contracts to the Board for approval. Lesser expenditures for construction and construction-related materials or services shall be at the discretion of the Superintendent and consistent with law and policy. [See CH(LEGAL) and (LOCAL) and CBB(LEGAL)]

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**Note:** For provisions regarding delegation of authority for construction contracts in the event of a catastrophe, emergency, or natural disaster affecting the District, see CH(LOCAL).

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**Project Administration**

All construction projects shall be administered by the Superintendent or designee.

The Superintendent shall keep the Board informed concerning construction projects and also shall provide information to the general public. [See CH series]

**Change Orders**

Change orders ~~s~~ allowances shall be approved by the Board or its designee prior to any changes being made in the approved plans or the actual construction of the facility.

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**Final Payment**

Final payments for construction work and/or the supervision of such work in the District shall not be made until the work has been completed and accepted by the ~~Officer~~ senior executive director, Construction Management and Capital Projects, ~~and Facility Services~~ or designee, and all releases of liens have been provided confirming payment to subcontractors.

**Bond Oversight Committee**

During an active bond program, The Bond ~~an~~ Oversight ~~C~~ommittee will be established to encourages greater accountability, transparency, public support, and confidence in the effective and efficient use of bond proceeds. The committee's charge, as outlined in the committee charter ~~[see CV5(REGULATION)]~~, ~~is~~ will be to monitor all applicable bond-funded construction projects and help interested Houstonians stay informed about new construction and renovation projects in the District.