

SECTION: PROPERTY

TITLE: RECOGNITION OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Wissahickon School
District
Ambler, Pennsylvania 19002

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I. Purpose

The Board of School Directors recognizes from time to time it may be appropriate to commemorate an individual who or a group which has been an extraordinarily positive influence within the District. It is the intent of this policy to establish the criteria and procedures to be used in these circumstances.

II. Definitions

“District facility” shall refer to any building, space within a building, field, playground, or other property owned by the District.

“Commemoration” may include the following:

1. Naming a District facility in honor of an individual or group.
2. A permanent or temporary memorial on District property, such as plaques, plantings, benches, “wall of fame” or other types of recognition.

“Commemoration” for the purposes of this Policy does not include the granting by the District to a group or individual of the right to name a District facility in honor of an individual or group for a prescribed period of time or the establishment of some other type of Commemorative Gift pursuant to Policy No. 702 “Gifts, Grants, Donations.”

III. Policy

The Board of School Directors shall consider requests to establish a commemoration for one or more individuals or groups whose contributions to local public education satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. A contribution which is extraordinary and unique and which serves as an example to those within the District and;
2. A contribution which is recognized by students, parents and staff as having an extraordinarily positive influence on the lives of students and;

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3. A contribution which has created and supported positive links between the schools and the community and;
4. A contribution which has taken place over a significant period of time.

The Board of School Directors reserves the right to consider dedication of District facilities in the event of special circumstances not presently defined by this policy and;

The Board of School Directors also reserves the right to remove or otherwise discontinue the recognition of an individual or group for any reason in its sole discretion.

IV. Delegation of Authority

The Superintendent shall receive nominations and all pertinent information needed to evaluate a candidate. The President of the Board of School Directors shall appoint a committee who, with the Superintendent, shall review the information and report its findings to the Board which shall make a final decision.