

Policy 809 NAMING OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BUILDINGS

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the naming of Northfield School District buildings.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The district shall ensure that namings preserve the long-standing traditions, values, culture, and prestige of the district. The naming of school buildings is the responsibility of the Board of Education. When naming a building, the board may select the name itself, solicit public feedback, and/or appoint a committee to make recommendations to the board. The board will make the final decision.

III. STANDARDS FOR THE NAMING AND RENAMING OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES

- A. All district-owned buildings shall be named in accordance with the following standards:
1. Buildings shall not be named for people, individuals or families, either historical or contemporary.
 2. School buildings. Schools shall be given names which are indicative of the areas in which they are located. These include, but are not limited to, names of neighborhoods, townships , and natural features such as bodies of water or characteristic flora (as long as the neighborhood or township is not named after an individual or family).
 3. District buildings. Sites which serve a district-wide function shall be named to illustrate the nature of their role in the district.

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 659

Northfield, Minnesota