

Obion County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in October	Descriptor Term: <h3 style="text-align: center;">Naming Facilities</h3>	Descriptor Code: <h3 style="text-align: center;">3.210</h3>	Issued Date: <h3 style="text-align: center;">04/11/16</h3>
		Rescinds:	Issued:

1 Facilities of the school system shall be named through Board action, based upon the following criteria:

- 2 1. Schools shall not be named for living persons, except for those who have rendered exemplary
3 service to public education as recognized and attested by a vote of the Board.
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- 5 2. Two schools in the system shall not be given the same name, and care should be taken to avoid
6 similar names.
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- 8 3. Schools shall be named for:
 - 9 a. The area or community in which the school is located;
 - 10 b. The street on which the school is located or a street bordering the school site if that
11 street is well known in the community; or
 - 12 c. Presidents, governors or recognized national, state and local leaders who have made an
13 outstanding contribution to public education.
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- 15 4. A single building on a campus with multiple buildings or a specific area on the campus may be
16 named for a living person, provided he/she has made an outstanding contribution to that school.
17 The naming of such building or specific area shall not supplant the facility's name.
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- 19 5. Facilities other than school shall be given names which describe the facility or the geographic
20 location in the city.
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- 22 6. If the Board decides an existing school or facility should be renamed, the criteria of this policy
23 shall apply.

24 The new board policy will require any citizen, board member, or school personnel who wishes to name
25 a new or existing school facility to submit his/her request with supporting reasons and a petition with a
26 minimum of 75 signatures from the community representing that school zone. The school board
27 representative from that zone will then send the recommendation to the Director of Schools for board
28 consideration. The proposal will be presented and voted on at the next scheduled meeting.

29 The board retains the right to rescind the naming privilege of any facility if events occur which may
30 create a negative perception of the school system, school(s), students or employees.