

Section: **MANAGEMENT SUPPORT**

Policy Title: **Construction Design**

Facilities will be designed to accommodate the educational and instructional needs of the district. The professional experience and judgment of staff will be used in developing such educational specifications. The law requires that special attention be given the accessibility to the education program by students of both sexes and those with disabilities. The superintendent will see that all construction projects comply with the requirements for accessibility to individuals with disabilities and comparability between the sexes.

After determining that a need for new or improved facilities exists, the board, with the guidance of its professional staff, will engage in the following processes:

- A. Select an architect;
- B. Review a site evaluation including an assessment of existing facilities, if any, on the site;
- C. Develop educational specifications recognizing instructional needs and available financial resources;
- D. Review and approve schematic design prepared by architect, assuring that the new or remodeled facility or part of a facility is readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities;
- E. Review a value engineering study and constructability review, and approve construction design including construction estimates;
- F. Call for bids;
- G. Review and approve final construction contract; and
- H. Engage construction management services.

The board will comply with the terms and conditions as specified in the contract between the architect and the school district.

**Legal References:**

Chapter 39.35 RCW	Energy Conservation in Design of Public Facilities
42 U.S.C. § 12101 et. seq.	Americans with Disabilities Act
WAC 392-343-808	Value engineering studies, constructability reviews, and building commissioning – Requirements and definitions

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WAC 392-343-102  
WAC 392-344-065  
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Construction management  
Value engineering contracts  
Constructability review contracts  
Contracts – Filing

**Management Resources:**

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