

# POLICY

## OLD BRIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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SCHOOL CLOSING

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to provide a thorough and efficient program of free public education and appropriate facilities to house that program. The Board further recognizes that declining enrollments, diminished resources, district reorganization, or other good cause may require that the use of one or more district facilities for educational purposes be abandoned.

The Board will not commit itself to the closing of any school facility without first having collected and considered appropriate information regarding pupil enrollments, the educational adequacy of school facilities, relevant safety and traffic factors, district revenues, and alternative district organizational plans. The Board will invite citizen participation in the analysis of that information and the formulation of recommendations. Information on any proposed district reorganization will be disseminated to the public, and public response will be invited by all appropriate means.

Ultimately the Board alone is responsible for the organization of the school district and the establishment and abandonment of school facilities. Formal action to accomplish those ends shall be taken only by the Board duly convened.

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1; 18A:20-36; 18A:33-1  
N.J.A.C. 6:22-3.2

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