

NAMING SCHOOL FACILITIES

The School Committees of Acton and Acton-Boxborough believe naming a school facility is a matter of significant importance, one that deserves the most thoughtful attention of the School Committee and the Administration, and one that is indeed an unusual occurrence or event. Further, the Committee should not be influenced in its decision by personal prejudice, favoritism, political pressure or temporary popularity.

In the naming of public school facilities, if the name of a person is to be used, the following criteria will be applied in the selection of a person(s) to be so honored.

1. A person, living or dead, for whom a public school facility may be named must have made significant contributions to education of the youth of the Acton or Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools. Evidence of such contributions may include, but are not limited to the following:
 - Unusually effective and dedicated service to or on behalf of the youth in the Acton or Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools
 - Persistent efforts to sustain a high quality system of public education for all youth and to improve programs and services for these young people.
 - Demonstrated understanding of the essential nature of public education in the furthering of our democratic form of government and the free enterprise system.

2. The nominee must otherwise be worthy of the honor of having a school facility named for her/him. Evidence of such attributes could include, but may not be limited to the following:
 - Superior levels of performance in strengthening and supporting Acton and Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools
 - Community service
 - Effective citizenship
 - Seminal ideas or research
 - Excellent character and general reputation

The Superintendent shall prepare procedures for the naming of school which are consistent with this policy.