

**New Orleans Public Schools
Five-year Strategic Plan for Reform
1999-2000 through 2003-2004**

Department/Area: Facility Planning

Name of Initiative/Plan: Vision 2000: Strategic Facilities Plan (Current District-Approved Plan)

Goal #1: To support the District's educational mission through continued implementation of Vision 2000. (Aligned with Goals 2000/USDE, LEARN/SDE, and The Declaration of Intent to Reform DIR/NOPS)

Current Team Leader: Ken Ducote, Director

STRATEGIES	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE	OUTCOMES
1. Reorganize Facilities Planning administrative structure as part of the District-wide comprehensive reorganization plan	April, 1999	September, 1999	CEO's Management Team	Improved coordination, communication and delivery of services between and among facilities planning and school sites
2. Finalize plan for Capital Improvement Programs (CIP) and engage the appropriate professionals to reassess the capital needs of the District and develop a plan for funding.	November, 1998	June, 1999	Capital Improvement Program Management Team with GNOEF assistance.	Revised 10-year Construction Plan for CIP-IV & V
3. Establish building managers at each school site, reporting to principals, with broader responsibilities than the current head custodian position, and provide schools with budgets to procure outsourced maintenance services.	July, 1999	Ongoing through 2004	CEO's Designee	Improved operation, maintenance and code compliance
4. Establish cyclic replacement program for major building components at 2.5% of building value annually.	January, 2000	Ongoing through 2004	Director of Facility Planning	Improved operation, maintenance and code compliance with no disruption to instruction
5. Develop and implement new policies and procedures to streamline project implementation.	February, 1999	July, 1999	Director of Facility Planning with OPSB & Superintendent Approval GNOEF	Reduced delivery time for completion of projects
6. Use the 1998 Demographic study to update facility needs, implement middle school initiative, relieve overcrowding and establish alternative schools.	February, 1999	December, 1999	Director of Facility Planning and Urban Planner	Revised attendance zones Revised capital plans Reduced overcrowding Implementation of Middle School Initiative

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7. Develop a new design standards manual to improve quality of construction and control costs.	December, 1997	June, 1999	Director of Facility Planning, Capital Improvement Project Management Team	Revised, updated standards manual Improved quality of construction and cost control
8. Develop a new process for outsourcing small projects, such as through job order contracting, within funding limitations.	June, 1999	December, 1999	Director of Facility Planning, Capital Improvement Project Management Team	Effective process to outsource projects Reduced project delivery time
9. Revise plan for Emergency Preparedness.	March, 1999	July, 1999	CEO's Designee	Revised plan for emergency preparedness Better preparation for tropical storms, flooding, tornadoes, etc.
10. Designate and maintain three spare schools.	June, 2001	Ongoing through 2004	Director of Facility Planning, Capital Improvement Project Management Team	Designation of three schools Minimal disruption to instruction during emergencies and renovations
11. Upgrade school furniture as appropriate to meet student needs.	July, 1999	December, 2000	Director of Facility Planning, Purchasing, Schools	Upgraded furniture Better support for instructional programs

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12. Emphasize security during capital projects.	January, 1996	Ongoing through 2004	Director of Facility Planning Director of Security	Reduced security incidents
13. Phase out portable, temporary and leased classrooms.	January, 1996	Ongoing through 2004	Capital Improvement Project Management Team	Reduced dependence on portable, leased and temporary classrooms Increased adequacy of facilities Reallocation of general funds lease costs
14. Improve school landscaping through partnerships.	January, 1996	Ongoing through 2004	Director of Facility Planning, Alumni Office, Schools, Partnerships	More attractive facilities Increased involvement of community in District
15. Upgrade buildings to current codes.	January, 1996	Ongoing through 2004	Director of Facility Planning, Maintenance, Schools, Child Nutrition	Increased number of buildings that meet current codes Fewer citations