

**Selection of Site**

School sites should be located as close as possible to the center of the attendance area the school will serve and located to facilitate joint use of the sites and adjacent parks, playgrounds, and open space by the school and the town.

In recommending sites for school facilities, the following factors should be considered:

- Size
- Location
- Drainage and soil conditions
- Topography and elevation
- Accessibility
- Cost (including development costs)

This should be done in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes.

Prior to the approval plan for any new construction, extension, or replacement of a school facility, the Town and the Facilities Committee, shall provide for a Phase I environmental site assessment in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials Standard #1527, Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Process, or similar subsequent standards.

Legal Reference:            Connecticut General Statutes § 10-282  
                                 Connecticut General Statutes § 10-291  
                                 Connecticut General Statutes § 10-292

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