

5.4 Safety Considerations:

- 5.4.1 placement location that is conducive to supervision, site lines are maintained,
- 5.4.2 ramps or stairlifts will not be provided to access a portable because of concerns regarding the amount of space required for an exterior ramp as defined by the Ontario Building Code (slope of 1:20) and winter maintenance safety concerns.

5.5 Rationale for Location Selection

- 5.5.1 Generally, portables will be placed where portables have previously been positioned.
- 5.5.2 Historical and site conditions will influence the preferred location and therefore a comparable location will be agreed upon.
- 5.5.3 Manager, Engineering and Construction Services, or designate will meet with the school principal to review the preferred location. In the case where an agreement cannot be reached, the family of schools superintendent and Executive Officer, Facilities Services will make the final determination
- 5.5.4 These criteria will guide the decision, site specific limitations will drive the final decision.
 - The portable classroom should be located a minimum of 12.2 metres (40 feet) from the main building (Ontario Building Code requirement),
 - avoid routes in or near parking areas and access roads
 - direct path of travel to an exterior door of the school.
 - hard surface (i.e. asphalt, walkways only to portables) preventing mud, snow, and water from being tracked into the portable or school
 - access for emergency vehicles
 - budgeted costs for installation of portable classrooms including the costs for hydro, fire alarm and data networking etc. connections, as well as site preparation

6. RELATED POLICIES, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS OR PROCEDURAL DOCUMENTS

Board Policies:

[BA-7.1, Student Accommodation Planning](#)

7. REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Legislation:

[Education Act Section 171\(1\).7](#)