

**DOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
DISTRICT POLICY MANUAL**

LACTATION ROOM

**Property
POLICY 7117**

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In accordance with the provisions of P.L.2019, C.26:4C-3, the Board of Education requires the Chief School Administrator to provide a “lactation room” when one is requested for any and all staff members, students and/or visitors or contractors who may be nursing a child while on the campus.

Definition

For the purposes of this policy, “Lactation room” means a sanitary room, other than a restroom, that can be used by a mother to breast feed her baby or express milk in private, and which includes an electrical outlet, a chair, and nearby access to running water. The presence of such a “lactation room in no way requires the district to establish a permanent facility, but one that may be used as conditions warrant.

The presence of any such lactation room shall not abrogate or otherwise limit the mother’s right to breast feed her baby in public, as provided by section 2 of P.L.1997, c.101 (C.26:4B-4).

Should the Department of Health create signage that contains information about breast feeding; affirms a mother’s right to nurse in public, as provided by section 2 of P.L.1997, c.101 (C.26:4B-4); and (3) indicates that lactation rooms are being made available for the privacy and comfort of nursing mothers, and such signage is distributed directly to the district, the Chief School Administrator shall post said signage in a conspicuous location.

Notice

The Chief School Administrator shall ensure that the public is made aware of this policy in his/her sole discretion and the location of said lactation room(s).

Legal References

- NJSA 18A:7F-7 Appropriation by school district of undesignated fund balance; amounts allowable
- 18A:7F-26 Distribution of state aid for facilities
- 18A:7G-1 through -44 et al. Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act
- 18A:11-2 Power to sue and be sued; report; census of school children
- 18A:33-1 District to furnish suitable facilities; adoption of courses of study
- 18A:33-1.1 Substandard facility; approval; inspection; abandonment