

# DEFINITIONS

**Class-Size Amendment-** the amendment to Section 1 of Article IX of the Florida Constitution in November 2002, establishing, that by the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year, the maximum number of students in core-curricula courses assigned to a teacher in each of the following three grade groupings; (1) Pre-kindergarten through grade 3, 18 students; (2) grades 4 through 8, 22 students; and (3) grades 9 through 12, 25 students. SB-30A specifically implements the reduction of the average number of students per classroom by at least two-students-per-year beginning with the 2003-2004 fiscal year until the maximum number of students per classroom does not exceed the 2010-2011 maximum.

**Educational Plant Survey or the Five-Year Plant Survey-** means the systematic study of educational and ancillary plants of the School Board conducted at least every five years to evaluate existing facilities and plan for future facilities to meet proposed program needs. (see Section 1013.35, F.S.)

**Fall Student Enrollment Count** – means annual student head count that is conducted by the Pinellas County School District in October.

**Five-year Facilities Work Program or the Five Year Work Program-** means the document created by the School District to assist it as it plans, proposes, and prioritizes its current and five-year capital outlay needs. (see Section 1013.35, F.S.)

**FISH (Florida Inventory of School Houses)-** means the inventory numbering system used by the Florida Department of Education for parcels, buildings, and rooms in public educational facilities.

**FISH School Capacity** - means the number of students that may be housed in a facility at any given time based on State Requirements of Educational Facilities (SREF).

**Local Government or Local Governments** - means Pinellas County and all of the municipalities within the County.

**Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)** - An organization made up of local elected and appointed officials responsible for developing, in cooperation with the state, transportation plans and programs in metropolitan areas containing 50,000 or more residents. The Pinellas County MPO develops plans, policies, and priorities that guide decision making on transportation issues in Pinellas County.

**Pinellas Schools Collaborative** - the group consisting of two elected representatives from the School Board and one elected representative from each of the partner local governments. The Collaborative shall review and consider amendments to the Public School Facilities Element, shall meet to consider the implementation of the Public Schools Interlocal Agreement and school concurrency, propose amendments for improvement if deemed necessary, and shall have any other powers specifically assigned to it pursuant to the Public Schools Interlocal Agreement.

**Public Schools Interlocal Agreement** - means the Interlocal Agreement filed with the Pinellas County Board Clerk between the Pinellas County School Board, Pinellas County, and

the twelve municipalities within Pinellas County that are required to implement school concurrency per Section 163.31777(1), F.S., or as it may subsequently be amended.

**Remodeling** - As defined in the Florida Building Code, Chapter 4, Section 423.5., means the changing of existing facilities by rearrangement of space and/or change of use.

**Renovations** - As defined in the Florida Building Code, Chapter 4, Section 423.5., means the rejuvenating or upgrading of existing facilities by installation or replacement of materials and equipment. The use and occupancy of the spaces remain the same.

**School Planning Area** - means the boundaries that the Pinellas County School District establishes to recognize a geographical area for capacity reporting purposes.

**School Planning Workgroup** - the group consisting of staff from each of the partner local governments, the School District, and the Pinellas Planning Council that provides support to the Pinellas Schools Collaborative.

**School Transportation and Enhanced Pedestrian Safety (STEPS) Committee** - means the intergovernmental committee of transportation, education and law enforcement professionals, in addition to citizen representatives. The Committee works exclusively on trip-to-school safety issues, with a primary focus on interagency communication and resolutions to vehicular and pedestrian safety concerns at school sites and on routes to school.

**School Transportation Safety Committee (STSC)** - means the MPO intergovernmental committee comprised of elected officials and citizen re from the County, the municipalities, and the School Board. The committee works exclusively on trip-to-school safety issues, with a primary focus on policy, practices, multi-jurisdictional matters and site-specific concerns.

**State Requirements for Educational Facilities** - means a document produced by the State of Florida Department of Education, outlining state requirements for property acquisition/disposal, finance, lease and lease-purchase, historic buildings, program development, professional services, inspection services, and design and inspection standards. The second volume of the document contains Florida's Uniform Building Code, while the appendices provide samples of the required forms.

**Sustainability** - means meeting the environmental, social and economic needs of today without compromising the ability to meet those needs in the future.

**Type of School** - means an elementary, middle or high school.