

COVID Project FAQs
NYS Education Department: Office of Facilities Planning
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The following Q&A is intended to provide guidance on the placement of purchased shipping containers, tents, and modulares on district property; and leases not on district property.

1. Are districts permitted to lease structures on district sites?

Although it is not our usual practice to approve these leases, to address the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commissioner has approved short-term (up to one year) leases on district property to support social distancing during this emergency. This authorization is temporary.

2. Is relief being sought?

Leased structures on district property are not eligible for school building aid.