

## **Community Use of School Facilities**

School facilities may be available to the community for education, civic, cultural, and other uses consistent with the public interest. Use of school facilities for school purposes has precedence over all other uses. Persons on school premises must abide by the District's conduct rules at all times.

Student and school-related organizations shall be granted the use of school facilities at no cost. Other organizations granted the use of the facility shall pay fees and costs.

Authorization for use of school facilities shall not be considered an endorsement of or approval of the activity, person, group or organization nor the purposes they represent. The use of the school premises will be denied when, in the opinion of the Superintendent, Board or School Administration, there is probability of damage or injury to school property, or the activity is deemed to be improper to hold in school buildings.

The administration shall approve and schedule the various uses of the school facilities. A master calendar will be kept in the office for scheduling dates to avoid conflicts during the school year. Requests for use of the school facilities must be submitted in advance of the event to the School Administrator. At least one District Administrator or designee must be on hand, paid for by the organization.

Proper protection, safety and maintenance of school property shall be primary considerations in the use of school facilities. All facility use shall comply with state and local fire, health, safety and police regulations. All individuals using school facilities shall comply with the policies of this Board.

Use of school equipment in conjunction with the use of school facilities must be specifically requested in writing and may be granted by the procedure by which permission to use facilities is granted. The user of school equipment must accept liability for any damage to or loss of such equipment that occurs while it is in use. Parent, Patron or Student volunteers working on projects for the district will be restricted to use of basic equipment, i.e. shovels, rakes brooms, etc. No automated personal or district equipment may be utilized. Where rules so specify, no item of equipment may be used except by a qualified operator. All projects involving landscaping or the installation of playground equipment must be approved by the district administration. No District equipment shall be removed from the premises for use by non-district personnel unless otherwise provided for in policy.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-601      Real and personal property – Acquisition, use or disposal of same.

### **Policy History:**

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