

USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES AND GROUNDS

Since the schools belong to the people of the School District, and since the plant facilities are established, maintained and operated by funds largely provided by local taxes, the Board accepts the responsibility for making its plant facilities available to responsible organizations, associations, and individuals of the community for appropriate civil, cultural, welfare or recreational activities which do not infringe upon or interfere with the conduct and best interests of the school system.

More specifically, it is the Board's intention to grant the use of school facilities under the Chief School Officer's regulations for activities of an educational, cultural, civic, social, recreational and governmental nature which are to be sponsored by responsible, recognized local persons, organizations, agencies or institutions.

Types of Activities Prohibited:

1. Partisan political meetings.
2. Religious meetings.
3. Promulgating any theory or doctrine subversive to the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof advocating governmental change by violence.
4. Any activity that may violate the canons of good morals, manners or taste or be injurious to the buildings, grounds or equipment.
5. Any purpose in conflict with school activities.
6. Commercial advertising.
7. Fund-raising campaigns except as permitted by Board policy or special action of the Board.
8. Activities which are discriminatory in the legal sense.

Priority and Use:

1. School purposes.
2. Resident organizations.
3. Non-resident organizations.

(The organization must restore the facilities to their original condition as determined by the administration.)

Granting of Approval:

The Chief School Officer is authorized to approve and arrange for scheduling the use of the school facilities by applicants satisfying the above purposes and limitations.

The right is reserved by the Board to revoke any such permit, without liability, should such action be deemed necessary or desirable, or to charge an additional "clean-up" fee if needed.

Fees:

The Board will approve a schedule of fees for school facilities use based upon actual costs as determined by the administration. Community groups which charge admission for their activities will be expected to pay a use fee. A fee will also be charged when use requires an added expense to the District.

Use of Gym:

1. Available times: 8:30 - 10:30 p.m., school days
2. School functions have priority.
3. The person or persons signing the facility request are responsible for the actions of the participants.
4. The group (or group sponsor) is financially liable for any damage.
5. No smoking is allowed on school grounds or in school buildings.
6. The school is not responsible for theft or loss of participant's possessions.
7. Dunking or hanging on the nets or rims is prohibited.
8. Groups will have access only to the gym and locker rooms.
9. All group participants must be listed at the time of the application and/or each night.
10. The custodians are not to open any other areas or rooms (including coaches' offices, storage area, and weight room).
11. The group who assumes responsibility must have liability insurance or each member must agree that the school will not be held liable.

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