COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

The Board realizes that public school facilities are provided by the people in order that the youth of the community may receive the benefits of appropriate educational programs. Although this is the basic purpose for which the school buildings are built, the complete function of school facilities is not achieved unless the use of these facilities is extended to the community. The Board accepts the responsibility for making its facilities available to responsible organizations, associations, and individuals of the community for appropriate civic, cultural, or recreational activities. These activities may not infringe upon nor interfere with the conduct and best interests of the District or its programs. Requests for the use of District facilities are to be directed to the Building Principal, Activities Director, Arena Manager or Executive Assistant to the Business Manager in charge of the scheduled use of the specific area.

Permission for use of District facilities does not constitute a District endorsement of any organization or activity. The Board reserves the right to refuse approval or to cancel the use of school facilities when it is deemed that such action is in the best interest of the District. Misuse or abuse of district facilities may result in the immediate cancellation of the approved facility usage and/or additional charges. Rental fees not being paid in a timely manner may also jeopardize the approval of facility usage.

The applicant or organization requesting the use of school facilities will indemnify the District and any person whose property may be within the said building for loss or damage to such property or personal injury caused by any persons attending said activity/meeting. The organization or group using any school facility will provide names of witnesses of any accident and will submit a written account of any accident or theft to the District's business office as soon as possible. The written report shall include names of people involved, a description of events and a statement assuming all responsibility for the accident or theft. The District will not be responsible for personal injury or for the loss or damage of clothing/equipment of the participants or spectators.

The renter, group or organization is required to provide proper supervision throughout the use of the facility. A plan for supervision may be requested by the building administration. The renter, group or organization using the school facility will restore to the original condition any property or equipment damaged or destroyed by them. The District realizes that normal wear and tear is expected and the District will be the sole judge of unwarranted destruction of property.

The District reserves the right to require a deposit for protection of the facility and equipment, and to guarantee the rental or expenses.

District owned equipment will be provided for a fee in accordance with the fee schedule. District equipment is to be used within the facilities only and removal of equipment is prohibited.

The District does not allow any business activity in which a potential conflict of interest may arise. Employees of the District will not engage in or have a financial interest in any activity that raises a question of conflict of interest with their duties and responsibilities as members of the school staff.

Serving as supporting documents to this board policy are: 1) Activity/Organization Classifications; 2) Fee schedules.