COMMUNITY RELATIONS NONSCHOOL USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

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Philosophy

The Board believes District facilities are community spaces designated primarily for educational purposes. The Board supports and encourages development of the greater collaborative community through the use of District facilities.

Scheduling

Academic and extracurricular activities scheduled or sponsored by the District shall have priority use of District facilities, without facility use costs. [See FM]

Authorized Facilities

The Superintendent or designee shall have authority to cancel a scheduled community use if an unexpected conflict arises with a District activity.

The following facilities shall not be available for community use:

- 1. New buildings that have not been occupied for school purposes;
- 2. Facilities under construction;
- 3. Facilities that are deemed closed by the District; and
- 4. Facilities deemed not available by District administrators.

Program Control

Use of facilities shall not be allowed for activities that may be detrimental or destructive to the facilities and contents or by any group or individual that has damaged District property.

Groups that are indebted to the District shall not be allowed use of District facilities.

Emergency Use

In case of emergencies or disasters, the Superintendent or designee may authorize the use of District facilities by civil defense, health, or emergency service authorities.

Community Use of School Facilities

The Superintendent shall establish administrative procedures for the use of school facilities by community members and organizations.

The Superintendent or designee is authorized to approve requests for use of any District facility when such requests do not conflict with District use, Board policy, or District administrative procedures.

Agreement

Any organization, individual, or elected official requesting community use of District facilities shall be required to complete a written or online agreement indicating understanding of this policy and the related administrative procedures.

The agreement also acknowledges that the District is not liable for any personal injury or damages to personal property related to nonschool use.

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Approval of Application

Use of District buildings or equipment shall constitute acknowledgment that the person or organization shall be responsible to the District, its Board members, employees, or agents for all damages to the building or equipment and shall indemnify and hold harmless the District, its Board members, employees, or agents from any claim whatsoever resulting from or arising out of the use of the building or any part of it.

Violation of any term of this policy or District administrative procedures regarding the use of facilities may result in immediate termination of the rental contract without refund.

Fees for Use

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a schedule of fees for the use of the facilities that includes, but is not limited to, the cost of the physical operation of the facilities as well as any applicable personnel costs for supervision, custodial services, food services, security, and technology services.

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