

1 **4520 COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

2 Cooperative Programs with Other Districts and Public Agencies

3 Whenever it appears to the economic, administrative and educational advantage of the District to
4 participate in cooperative programs with other units of local government, the district may enter into
5 cooperative agreements with other public agencies. The Superintendent may prepare and present for
6 the Board's consideration an analysis of these agreements.

7 The District may enter into an interlocal agreement providing for the sharing of teachers, specialists,
8 superintendents, or other professional persons licensed under Title 37, MCA. If the District shares a
9 teacher or specialist with another districts(s), the District's share of such teacher's or specialist's
10 compensation will be based on the total number of instructional hours expended by the teacher or the
11 specialist in the District.

12 The District may also enter into interlocal agreements with a unit of the Montana University System,
13 public community college and/or tribal college that would allow students who are at least 16 years of
14 age and/or enrolled in 11th or 12th grade to attend and earn credit for classes not available through the
15 District. Tuition and fees, if assessed, will be outlined in the inter-local agreement.

16 When formal cooperative agreements are developed, such agreements shall comply with all appropriate
17 laws and regulation requirements with assurances that all parties to the agreement have the legal
18 authority to engage in the activities contemplated by the agreement.

19 Legal Reference:

20 § 20-7-451 through 457, MCA Authorization to create full service special education cooperative

21 § 20-7-801, et seq., MCA Public recreation

22 § 7-11-101 through 108, MCA Interlocal agreements

23 § 20-3-363 MCA Multidistrict agreements-fund transfers

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