

## Community Relations

### Community Use of School Facilities

School facilities are available to community organizations during non-school hours when such use does not: (1) interfere with any school function or affect the safety of students or employees, or (2) affect the property or liability of the District. The use of school facilities for school purposes has precedence over all other uses. The District reserves the right to cancel previously scheduled use of facilities by community organizations and other groups. The use of school facilities requires the prior approval of the Superintendent or designee and is subject to applicable procedures.

All persons on school premises must abide by the District's conduct rules at all times.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a fee schedule and procedures to manage community use of school facilities.

Student groups, school-related organizations and local governments are granted the use of school facilities at no cost, provided the District does not incur additional operational expenses in providing facilities. Operational costs shall apply during non-regularly staffed hours.

### Non-School Use of School Facilities

The school buildings and grounds shall be made available to the community for educational, civic and cultural purposes, when such use does not interfere with school programs or school-sponsored activities.

These organizations shall pay rental fees and any additionally incurred operational expenses, according to the schedule established by the Superintendent, which represents the costs incurred in making the facilities available. All non-school sponsored groups, before using the facilities, must provide a certificate of insurance naming the District as an *additional insured*.

Facilities and grounds will not be made available to individuals for personal or social reasons or to business enterprises for commercial gain.

LEGAL REF.: 20 U.S.C. §7905, Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act.  
10 ILCS 5/11-4.1, Election Code.  
105 ILCS 5/10-20.41, 5/10-22.10, and 5/29-3.5.  
Good News Club v. Milford Central School, 533 U.S. 98 (2001).  
Lamb's Chapel v. Center Moriches Union Free School District, 508 U.S. 384 (1993).  
Rosenberger v. Rector and Visitors of Univ. of Va., 515 U.S. 819 (1995).

CROSS REF.: 7:330 (Student Use of Buildings - Equal Access), 8:25 (Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities), 8:30 (Visitors to and Conduct on School Property)

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