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7510 - **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

LEGAL:

The buildings and properties of the District shall be available for community use under conditions prescribed by law and in accordance with the adopted policies of the Grand Blanc Board of Education.

USE OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES:

The Board of Education wishes to accommodate, when possible, responsible organizations located within the District. Permission to use buildings, grounds, and facilities may be granted when such use does not interfere with school activities and shall be for the education, recreation, and/or entertainment of the people, including adults and children, and for the discussion of all topics lending to the development of personal character and civic welfare.

CLASSIFICATION OF GROUPS: (In order of priority)

Group 1:	School Functions
	This category is construed to be such as functions that are sponsored by or through the Board of Education. For example: Class & club activities and Clubs and/or Youth Feeder Sports as deemed by the school or athletic department.
Group 2:	Parks and Recreation programs, school-parent groups, scouting, and City/Township governments, and Grand Blanc Chamber of Commerce.
Group 3:	Community organizations, homeowner groups, recreation groups, clubs, nonprofit organizations, and church groups whose membership includes Grand Blanc community members.
Group 4:	Outside groups, private gathering, and/or all functions for the purpose of raising funds or where an admission is charged by any organization of Group 2, 3, or 4 unless such funds are made available for school activities, improvement, or programs. Groups outside of the District will be discouraged from use of buildings. Approval will be at the discretion of the Facilities Manager and/or their supervisor.

PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES SHALL NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR:

- A. Promulgating any theory or doctrine subversive to the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof advocating governmental changes by violence.
- B. Any activity that may violate good morals, manners, or taste or be injurious to the buildings, grounds, or equipment.
- C. Commercial advertising.
- D. Any group for an indefinite or prolonged period of time.
- E. Private or individual gain.

- F. Use of facilities at times other than when school is normally in session may be considered, depending upon the nature of the activity and work schedule.
- G. Gambling with an exception for school-related fundraisers, such as raffles, etc. that are run with proper State permits.
- H. Any group or individual, under the influence, serving or selling alcoholic beverages or controlled substance(s) on school property.
- I. Sale, display, or possession of weapons or components of such consistent with Federal and State guidelines.

APPLICATION FOR USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES:

Upon approval of the application by proper authority, a permit to use the building shall be issued. Any organization or group using school facilities must designate one (1) member of its group and an alternate as being in charge of and responsible for the program or activity. The names of these individuals must accompany the application for building use and they shall be designated permit holders. One (1) of the permit holders must be physically present at the activity and shall in turn be responsible to the Facility Manager or building supervisor and the principal of the school in which the event is taking place. Some applications necessitate the Grand Blanc Community Schools be added on as a rider to the applicant's insurance policy absolving the school system of financial liability.

DESTRUCTION OR LOSS OF PROPERTY:

The renter or group using the building shall agree to restore to the original condition any unwarranted destruction or loss of property. The Board of Education shall be the sole judge of unwarranted destruction of property and/or loss of property.

SCHEDULE OF FEES: -(AG7510A)

Groups

- 1 & 2: No charge except to reimburse any expenses incurred by the Board as a result of the activity; i.e., utilities, custodial service, supervision, stage technician, water safety instructor, etc.
- 3 & 4: Service fees may be charged, depending on the scope of the activity. This cost will be in addition to reimbursement for any expense incurred by the Board as a result of the activity; i.e., utilities, custodial service, supervision, stage technician, water safety instructor, etc.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines for the granting of permission to use District facilities including a schedule of fees. This cost will be in addition to reimbursement for any expense incurred by the Board as a result of the activity; i.e., custodial service, supervision, stage technician, water safety instructor, etc. If it is necessary to assign school employees over and above their regular work assignments to attend such functions, they shall be compensated at their established rate of pay. This cost is to be over and above the fee prescribed.

STUDENT OFF-CAMPUS FUNCTIONS

Sites utilized for student off-campus functions related to school activities are considered an extension of the public school and are governed by Board policies. Purchase and consumption of alcohol, gambling, and other limitations set forth in Board Policy 7510 will be enforced. Students in attendance at such functions are regulated by Board Policy as stipulated in the "Student Rights and Responsibilities handbook." Adults in attendance at such off-campus functions are also regulated by Board policy.

SUNDAY USE OF FACILITIES

The Board may grant use of school facilities on Sundays to community groups under the guidelines established in this policy. School-sponsored groups may use school facilities on Sundays with prior approval from the building principal or designee. Practices and meetings must be optional/non-mandatory.

Should all or any part of the District's community be struck by a disaster, the Board shall make District grounds and/or facilities available, at no charge, for the housing, feeding, and care of victims or potential victims when requested by local, State, or Federal authorities. The Superintendent/designee should meet with the appropriate local authorities to establish a disaster preparedness plan in order to ensure that proper procedures are established to minimize confusion, inefficiency, and disruption of the educational program.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines for the granting of permission to use District facilities including a schedule of fees. Such guidelines are to include the following:

- A. Each user may be required to present evidence of the purchase of organizational liability insurance to the limit prescribed by District administrative guidelines.

B. Use of school equipment in conjunction with the use of school facilities must be specifically requested, in writing, and may be granted by the procedure by which permission to use facilities is granted. The users of school equipment must accept liability for any damage or loss to such equipment that occurs while it is in their use. Where rules so specify, no item of equipment may be used except by a qualified operator.

C. User shall be liable financially for damage to the facilities and for proper chaperonage.

No liability shall attach to this District, any employee, officer, or member of this District specifically as a consequence of permitting access to these facilities.

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