

## Business/Non-Instructional

### Operations Use of School Facilities

The Board encourages programs that benefit the community and its school children and supports such programs through the use of its facilities.

The building and grounds of the school district are public property. The Board of Education may allow their use for purposes other than education when they are not in use for school purposes.

The Board of Education may grant the use of the school facilities for activities of an educational, cultural, civic, social, recreational, governmental and general political nature which are sponsored by responsible local persons, organizations, agencies, or institutions, as permitted by law.

~~In collaboration with the school district, the Recreation Commission may determine whether the building or grounds is to be used by another organization or group.~~ The Woodbridge Board of Education and the Recreation Department have had a collaborative arrangement whereby the use of the town and school fields are shared, as reasonably available, without any charges or fees, except for the necessary custodial overtime costs related to the activity or event. This arrangement shall continue with the mutual agreement of the parties.

### Types of Activities Which Will Not be Permitted

1. Activities propagating the overthrow of the United States the State of Connecticut, or local governmental agencies.
2. Any activity that may violate the canons of good morals, manners or taste, or be injurious to the buildings, grounds or equipment of the schools.
3. Any purpose, which is in conflict with school activities.
4. Any activity, which includes commercial advertising, **unless approved by the Superintendent.**
5. Fund-raising campaigns except as permitted by Board of Education policy or by special action of the Board of Education.
6. Activities, which are discriminatory in the legal sense.
7. Any activity that would include alcoholic beverages, **illegal and/or recreational drugs or tobacco** on school grounds or in the building.

### Application for Use of the Building or Grounds

1. Application for all activities will be filed on the prescribed form in the Principal's Office or the Office of the Superintendent.
2. The Superintendent or ~~his/her~~ designee will have the right to act on all applications. The Superintendent, however, may refer any individual request to the Board of Education ~~or the Recreation Commission~~ for its action.
3. All fees and policies associated with the use of facilities by other than school groups shall be set by the Superintendent.
4. A schedule of costs/fees for activities in the school or on its grounds outside the hours of the school day is provided in the attached regulations.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

[10](#)-239 Use of school facilities for other purposes.

Equal Access Act, 20 U.S.C. ss 4071-4074.

20 U.S.C. 7905 (Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act contained in No Child Left Behind Act of 2001)

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