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### 902 USE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

#### I. **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for community use of school facilities and equipment.

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The school board encourages maximum use of school facilities and equipment for community purposes if, in its judgment, that use will not interfere with use for school purposes.

#### SCHEDULED COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES III.

- The Director of Community Education shall be charged with the process of A. scheduling rooms and special areas for community education classes and activities planned to be offered during each session.
- B. Procedures for providing publicity, registration, and collection of fees shall be the responsibility of the Director of Community Education.
- C. Registration fees may be structured to include a pro-rata portion of costs for custodial services that may be needed.

## GENERAL COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES IV.

- The school board may authorize the use of school facilities by community groups A. or individuals. It may impose reasonable regulations and conditions upon the use of school facilities as it deems appropriate.
- В. Requests for use of school facilities by community groups or individuals shall be made through the Director of Community Education office. The Director of Community Education will present recommended procedures for the processing and review of requests to the school board annually. Upon approval by the school board, such procedures shall be an addendum to this policy.
- C. The school board may require a rental fee for the use of school facilities. Such fee may include the cost of custodial and supervisory service if deemed necessary. It may also require a deposit or surety bond for the proper use and repair of damage to school facilities. A rental fee schedule, deposit or surety bond schedule, and

payment procedure shall be presented to the school board annually. Upon approval by the school board, the fee schedule shall be an addendum to this policy.

D. When emergencies or unusual circumstances arise that necessitate rescheduling the use of school facilities, every effort will be made to find acceptable alternative meeting space.

## V. USE OF SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

The Director of Community Education will maintain the Addendum to this policy. The Director of Community Education will present to the school board annually the type of equipment that is available for community use, the extent to which it may be utilized, and the manner by which it may be scheduled for use and any charges to be made relating thereto. Upon approval of the school board, such procedure shall be an addendum to this policy.

# VI. RULES FOR USE OF FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

The school board expects members of the community who use facilities and equipment to do so with respect for school district property and an understanding of proper use. Individuals and groups shall be responsible for damage to facilities and equipment. A certificate of insurance may be required by the school district to ensure payment for these damages and any liability for injuries.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. § 123B.51 (Schoolhouses and Sites; Uses For School and

Nonschool Purposes; Closings)

Cross References: Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 801 (Equal Access to

School Facilities)

Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 901 (Community

Education) 902 Addendum