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SCOPE OF USE

The District shall permit nonschool use of designated District facilities for educational, recreational, civic, or social activities when these activities do not conflict with school use or with this policy.

Approval shall not be granted for any purpose that would damage school property or to any group that has damaged District property.

Note:

See the following policies for other information regarding facilities use:

- Use by employee professional organizations: DGA
- Use of facilities for school-sponsored and schoolrelated activities: FM
- Use by noncurriculum-related student groups: FNAB
- Use by District-affiliated school-support organizations: GE

NONPROFIT FUND-RAISING

The District shall not permit nonprofit organizations not affiliated with the District to conduct fundraising events on District property.

BOOSTER CLUBS

District booster clubs may use District facilities for fundraising.

FOR-PROFIT USE

The District shall not permit individuals or for-profit organizations to use its facilities for financial gain.

DENIALS

The District reserves the right to deny rentals.

CAMPAIGN-RELATED

USE

Except to the extent a District facility is used as an official polling place, District facilities shall not be available for use by individuals or groups for political advertising, campaign communications, or electioneering, as those terms are used in state law.

SCHEDULING

Requests for nonschool use of District facilities shall be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Academic and extracurricular activities sponsored by the District shall always have priority when any use is scheduled. [See FM] The Superintendent or designee shall have authority to cancel a scheduled nonschool use if an unexpected conflict arises with a District activity.

APPROVAL OF USE

The Superintendent or designee is authorized to approve use of any District facility.

Requests to lease District facilities on a continuing or long-term basis shall require approval of the Superintendent.

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EXCEPTION

No approval shall be required for nonschool-related recreational use of the District's unlocked, outdoor recreational facilities, such as the track, playgrounds, tennis courts, and the like, when the facilities are not in use by the District or for a scheduled nonschool purpose.

Areas identified as off-limits by the District shall not be available for community use.

EMERGENCY USE

In case of emergencies or disasters, the Superintendent or designee may authorize the use of school facilities by civil defense, health, or emergency service authorities.

USE AGREEMENT

Any organization or individual approved for a nonschool use of District facilities shall be required to complete a written agreement indicating receipt and understanding of this policy and any applicable administrative regulations, and acknowledging that the District is not liable for any personal injury or damages to personal property related to the nonschool use.

FEES FOR USE

Nonschool users shall be charged a fee for the use of designated facilities.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish and publish a schedule of fees based on the cost of the physical operation of the facilities, as well as any applicable personnel costs for supervision, custodial services, food services, security, and technology services.

The use of kitchens and kitchen equipment shall be limited to school and school-related functions. These facilities are not available for rental. Only District cafeteria employees shall be allowed to use kitchen equipment. If a school function requires kitchen use, the organization will be assessed a fee.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a process for special waivers to be considered and recommended for approval.

Such requests may be submitted for full or partial waivers of facility usage fees such as rental, custodial, and security and require approval of the Superintendent.

EXCEPTIONS

Fees shall not be charged when school buildings are used for public meetings sponsored by state or local governmental agencies that have executed Memorandums of Understanding with the District.

Fees shall not be charged for use by District employee professional organizations. [See DGA]

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REQUIRED CONDUCT

Persons or groups using school facilities shall:

- 1. Conduct business in an orderly manner.
- Abide by all laws and policies, including but not limited to, those prohibiting the use, sale, or possession of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, and firearms, and the use of tobacco products on school property. [See GKA]
- 3. Make no alteration, temporary or permanent, to school property without prior written consent from the Superintendent.

All groups using school facilities shall be responsible for the cost of repairing any damages incurred during use and shall be required to indemnify the District for the cost of any such repairs.

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