

## **COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

### **Community Use of School Facilities**

The Board of Trustees recognizes that district facilities and grounds are a vital community resource whose primary purpose is to be used for school programs and activities. The Governing Board also believes that the same resource should also be used to foster community involvement and development. Therefore, the Board authorizes the use of school facilities by community groups for purposes specified in the Civic Center Act to the extent that such use does not interfere with school activities and other school related uses.

All school-related activities (clubs, class events, etc.) shall be given priority in the use of facilities and grounds. Other uses, authorized under the Civic Center Act, shall be on a first-come, first-served basis.

For the effective management and control of school facilities and grounds, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain procedures and regulations that: (Education Code 38133)

1. Aid, encourage, and assist groups desiring to use school facilities for approved activities
2. Preserve order in school buildings and on school grounds and protect school facilities, designating a person to supervise this task, if necessary  
  
(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive School Safety Plan)  
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
3. Ensure that the use of school facilities or grounds is not inconsistent with their use for school purposes and does not interfere with the regular conduct of school work
4. There shall be no advertising on school facilities and grounds except as allowed by district Policy specified in BP 1325-Advertising and Promotions (cf. 1325 Advertising and Promotion)

### **Fees**

The Board believes that the use of school facilities should not result in costs to the district. The Board shall charge direct costs to all groups granted facility use under the Civic Center Act.

#### Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

10900-10914.5 Community recreation programs

32282 School safety plan

37220 School holidays

38130-38138 Civic Center Act, use of school property for public purposes

#### BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

25608 Alcoholic beverage on school premises  
MILITARY AND VETERANS CODE  
1800 Definitions  
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20  
7905 Equal access to public school facilities

COURT DECISIONS

Good News Club v. Milford Central School, (2001) 533 U.S. 98  
Lamb's Chapel v. Center Moriches Union Free School District, (1993) 508 U.S. 384  
Cole v. Richardson, (1972) 405 U.S. 676  
Connell v. Higgenbotham, (1971) 403 U.S. 207  
ACLU v. Board of Education of Los Angeles, (1961) 55 Cal .2d 167  
Ellis v. Board of Education, (1945) 27 Cal.2d 322  
ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS  
82 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 90 (1999)  
79 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 248 (1996)

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