

COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

The public school facilities are provided by the people in order that the youth of the community may receive the benefits of a sound educational program. Although this is the basic purpose for which the schools are built, the complete educational function is not achieved until the school facilities are made to serve the community. The use of school facilities should demonstrate a benefit to the school and community *members including residents, commerce and industry.*

To accomplish this objective, when possible, use may be made of school plants for student-related activities which are educational, recreational, and/or cultural. Activities held by approved student organizations, faculty groups, or student-related parent groups will be rental free. *In addition, non-profit organization and personal uses will be considered on a case by case basis.*

Community-based groups, *organizations and residents* may be assessed appropriate fees *as determined by the Special Events Committee utilizing the Special Events Procedural Fee Schedule.* The Fall Mountain Regional School District Board reserves the right to make the final decisions concerning the use of facilities.

The Board will require the renting organization to assume all liability for injury or damage to individuals or property and to indemnify and hold harmless the Board and employees of the Board from any loss or damage. The renting organization will observe all fire and safety regulations. In addition, as a Drug Free School Zoned District, smoking will be restricted as required by law and no alcoholic beverages and/or drugs will be used on school grounds or in the buildings. Furthermore, the Board prohibits the use of school facilities for any activity that is illegal or which it deems inappropriate for children.

Sunday usage of any Fall Mountain facilities for school approved groups is prohibited according to Board Policy IGDK. Additional fees during vacation periods may also be charged to cover increased cost of operation.

Refer to Policy EDC Authorized Use of School-Owned Materials and Equipment.

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