

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Non School Use of Buildings, Grounds and Equipment

The board encourages life-long learning for all citizens and will extend opportunities to the community to use district facilities through a variety of programs that contribute to the achievement of the district's goals and objectives. The public investment in school facilities and the general welfare of the community provide strong justification for the use of school buildings and grounds by community groups for cultural, civic, and recreational purposes.

All educational and athletic facilities will be available for use by the community under a fee schedule and prioritization program established by the board of directors, as long as such use will not interfere with school activities, reflect negatively on the district, interfere with maintenance activities or pose a high risk of damage to facilities. The fee schedule will increase annually by the Everett/Seattle area Consumer Price Index (CPI) unless otherwise modified by the board.

Agreements for use of district facilities that deviate from the fee schedule and priority use must be approved by the superintendent or designee. Such agreements shall be based on benefits received, services rendered, compensation equivalent to the district's costs and expenses of providing such use, or such other circumstances as deemed appropriate by the superintendent. An evaluation of these special agreements shall be provided to the board annually.

Fees will not be charged for use of district facilities for public service activities that provide a benefit to the district and community, such as public polling and law enforcement informational meetings. Fees and priorities may be adjusted in accordance with state and federal law and district policies to comply with equity and diversity issues.

The district does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, economic status, marital status, pregnancy, previous arrest (unless a clear and present danger exists), previous incarceration, the presence of any physical, sensory or mental disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society.

The district will provide official recruiting representatives of the state and United States military forces, Job Corps, Peace Corps and AmeriCorps with access to school facilities (including number of days and type of presentation space) equal to and no less than the access provided to other post-secondary occupational or educational representatives.

Authorization for use of school facilities will not be considered as endorsement or approval of the activity, group or organization.

Cross references:	Board Policy 2123 Board Policy 2150 Board Policy 2340 Board Policy 3210 Board Policy 3424	Health and Physical Education Program Co-Curricular Program Religious-Related Activities and Practices Nondiscrimination Student Sports and Athletic Related Activities — Concussion, Head Injury and Sudden Cardiac Arrest Regulation of Firearms and Dangerous Weapons on School District Property School Support Organizations Non School Use of Buildings, Grounds and Equipment Election Activities Fees, Fines and Charges Fees, Fines and Charges Lending of District-Owned Equipment and Books
	Board Policy 4207	Regulation of Firearms and Dangerous Weapons on School District Property
	Board Policy 4210 Procedure 4333P	School Support Organizations Non School Use of Buildings, Grounds and Equipment
	Board Policy 4400	Election Activities
	Board Policy 6115	Fees, Fines and Charges
	Schedule 6115S	Fees, Fines and Charges
	Board Policy 6571	Lending of District-Owned Equipment and Books
Legal references:	RCW 4.24.660	Liability of school districts under contracts with youth programs
	RCW 28A.230.180	Access to campus and student information directories by official recruiting representatives — Informing students of educational and career opportunities
	RCW 28A.335.040	Surplus school property, rental, lease, or use of— Authorized—Limitations
	RCW 28A.335.050	Surplus school property, rental, lease or use of— Joint use—Compensation—Conditions generally
	RCW 28A.335.150	Permitting use and rental of playgrounds, athletic fields, or athletic facilities
	RCW 28A.335.155	Use of buildings for youth programs—Limited immunity
	RCW 66.04.010 (35)	Definitions
	20 USC Sec. § 7905	Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act
	34 CFR Sec. § 108.6	Equal Access to Public School Facilities for The Boy Scouts of America and Other Designated Youth Groups
	Title 36 of the United States Code	
	AGO 1973 No. 26	School districts—Use of school facilities for presentation of programs—Legislature—Elections
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