Community Relations

Use of School Facilities

Since school buildings and grounds are public property, the CREC Council may make them available for purposes other than education when they are not in use for school purposes.

The CREC Council shall grant the use of school facilities for activities of an educational, cultural, civic, and other non-commercial uses consistent with the public interest when such use does not interfere with the school program or school sponsored activities as permitted under law. The use of school facilities for school purposes has precedence over all other uses. Persons on school property must abide by CREC’s conduct rules at all times.

The Boy Scouts of America, Big Sisters of America, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, Future Farmers of America, Girl Scouts of America, Little League Baseball, Inc. and any other group intended to serve youth under the age of 21 listed in Title 36 of the U.S. Code may use school property upon payment of suitable fees and costs according to the Council approved fee schedule.

In order to maximize student learning and community use of facilities, the Executive Director/designee, in cooperation with representatives of the public library and recreation department of the community shall on a regular basis conduct an instructional time and facility usage assessment.

Types of Activities Which Will Not be Permitted

1. Activities which are unlawful in nature.
2. Any purpose in conflict with the mission or goals of the school district.
3. Commercial advertising
4. Fund-raising campaigns except as permitted by CREC Council policy or by special action of the CREC Council. (option: “except as permitted by the Executive Director/designee.”)
5. Any activity which may be injurious to the buildings, grounds or equipment of the schools.

Consistent with this policy the Superintendent shall approve and schedule the use of school facilities by an individual or group and shall develop guidelines for community use of the schools.

(cf. 6145 – Extra Class Activities: Limited Open Forum)


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