

Newberg School District 29J

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Community Use of District Facilities and Grounds

Buildings and grounds of the district are primarily for public school purposes. The Board supports the extended use of district facilities and grounds.

The following categories are listed in priority order for usage:

1. Activities directly related to the established K-12 program;
2. Activities related to the co-curricular K-12 program, such as sports and seasonal programs, Chehalem Park and Recreation District, Community School and community classes and workshops;
3. Nonprofit community use of the facilities, such as meetings and sports leagues, sponsored by local organizations. Nonprofit youth groups take priority over nonprofit adult groups;
4. Other nonprofit community use;
5. Profit-making organizations.

The district shall be accountable for prudent maintenance and fiscal management of its facilities. Any party authorized to use district buildings and grounds shall be held responsible for damage or theft resulting from that use.

A user must comply with all federal, state and municipal equal opportunity laws and regulations regarding discrimination.

Equal rights of use shall be granted to all religious groups and political parties. Use of a facility for partisan, political or sectarian purposes may be granted. Use of a facility for religious activities on an ongoing basis shall require approval of the Board. Approval of use of a facility by an organization for non-school purposes shall neither constitute endorsement by the district of the organization nor does it constitute approval or endorsement by the district of the beliefs or purposes espoused by the organization.

The district shall not extend use of a facility to any organization or group whose policies advocate overthrow of the government of the United States of America or any political subdivision thereof.

The district reserves the right to grant or deny any and all facility use requests at its sole discretion when it deems such action to be in the best interest of the district.

The district may stop any activity at any time, if, in the district's judgment, a violation of district policy, administrative regulations, federal, state or municipal laws is occurring, or if the district deems the activity to be a safety concern to persons or the facility or disruptive or damaging to the facility.

The superintendent shall establish administrative regulations for community use of facilities and grounds and may, on occasion, restrict organizations or individuals from facilities use. The superintendent/designee is responsible for the interpretation and administration of district policies and administrative regulations relating to facilities use.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 330.430](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 332.172](#)