

Community Relations

Use of School Facilities

The Snohomish School District 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.

The Superintendent or designee is authorized to establish procedures for use of school facilities, including rental rates, supervisory requirements, restrictions, and security. Those using school facilities will maintain insurance for accident and liability covering persons using the district's facilities under the sponsorship of the organization.

In accordance with District Policy 3210, "Nondiscrimination," the district does not discriminate base on race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability and provides equal access to any youth groups listed as a patriotic society in Title 36 of the United States Code. The district's nondiscrimination statement will be provided on district facility rental forms.

Community athletics programs that use district facilities will not discriminate against any person on the basis of sex in the operation, conduct or administration of their programs.

For rental rate purposes, organizations seeking the use of school facilities have been divided into four categories:

- A. District Sponsored Events and School-Partner Non-Profit Groups
- B. Non-Profit Groups Serving Youth, Non-Profit Organizations Conducting Community Education or Community Service and Public Entities
- C. Non-Profit Organizations and Individual Users
- D. Commercial or For-Profit Organizations

Use of district facilities by third-party groups will be limited to times when students are not present as part of the regular school program, and any religious activities will otherwise be clearly separate from school-sponsored or school-related activities so that the district does not support, or appear to support, the practice of religion.

The fee schedule will be established in a manner that is commensurate with the proposed use of the group renting the facility. The Superintendent or designee will approve district facility use agreements that deviate from the fee and priority use schedule. Such special agreements must be

based upon benefits received, services rendered, compensation for the district's costs for providing the use, and/or to comply with state law, federal law, and district policies.

Cross Reference:	Policy No. 2150 Policy No. 3422	Co-Curricular Program Concussion, Head Injury and Sudden Cardiac Arrest
Legal References:	RCW 28A.230.180 RCW 4.24.660 RCW 28A.320.510 RCW 28A.335.150 20 USC Sec. 7905 34 CFR Sec. 108.6 AGO 1973 No. 26	Access to campus and student information directories by official recruiting representatives – informing students of educational and career opportunities. Liability of school districts under contract with youth programs Night schools, summer schools, meetings, use of facilities for Permitting use and rental of playgrounds, athletic fields, or athletic facilities Boy Scout of America Equal Access Act Equal Access to Public School Facilities for the Boys Scouts of America and Other Designated Youth Groups Initiative No. 276 – School districts - Use of school facilities for presentation of programs – Legislature - Elections

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