

Community Use of School Buildings and Facilities^[1]

~~Portland Public Schools~~ We believes that the primary use of ~~its~~ our buildings and facilities should be for the support of the District's mission and its commitment to academic excellence and personal success for all its students.

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~~The District School Board has charge to preserve order, protect school property, and do all things necessary in its capacity to carry out the provisions of this policy, including the limitation or closure of a district property for public use. The District School Board authorizes the superintendent or their designee to make such determinations for closing or limiting access to specific District properties at its sole discretion in order to maintain the safety of our students and the preservation of our assets~~

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The public is welcome to use the District's buildings and facilities for short-term use or rental through the Civic Use of Buildings UB process if such use does not conflict with District ~~or school~~ use. The public shall be expected to reimburse the District for such use to ensure that funds intended for education are not used for other purposes and that the District receives fair value for the use of its buildings and facilities. The public use of school grounds may be limited or prohibited at the discretion of the District in order to maintain the safety of our students and the preservation of our District assets.

Authorization for use of District buildings and facilities shall not be considered as endorsement of or approval of the activity or organization or for the purposes it represents.

The ~~Board directs the~~ Superintendent ~~to~~ shall implement administrative directives that implement this policy ~~through the Office of the Civic Use of Buildings (CUB), including procedures for reserving space in accordance with priority among users, rental rates, supervisory requirements, insurance, nondiscrimination, safety and security and other~~

~~requirements as may be needed. Through administrative directive, the Superintendent shall~~ create a custodial-fee waiver process for organizations (e.g., PTA, PTO, or Booster Clubs) directly affiliated with a PPS Title I schools, schools with a majority of historically underserved students, and schools identified for improvement as designated by the District that shall allow the District to grant a limited number of custodial waivers for community events as more fully defined in the administrative directive.

The ~~Board further directs the~~ Superintendent ~~to~~ shall provide information to the public regarding the CUB process in a manner that is equitable, accessible, and user-friendly.

Legal References: ORS 332.172

History: Adpt. 9/24/73; Amd. 8/12/74; Amd 7/1/75; Amd 7/1/76; Amd, 7/1/77; Amd 6/26/78; Amd.8/28/79; Amd 4/12/82; Amd. 4/14/88; Amd 8/12/02, BA 2384; New Policy 8/2016; Amd 5/2019, Amd /232