

SECTION: PROPERTY

TITLE: USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

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VALLEY VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Authority</p> <p>SC 775</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>4. Guidelines</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">707. USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES</p> <p>The Board recognizes that although the primary purpose of the school buildings, facilities and property is to provide students with an appropriate learning environment, the Board may make school facilities available for community purposes without discrimination and in accordance with this policy, provided the use does not interfere with the educational program of the schools.</p> <p>The Board shall provide for the use of school facilities by school-related organizations when permission has been requested in writing and has been approved by the building principal. The Board shall also provide for the use of school facilities by nonschool-related organizations when permission has been requested in writing and has been approved by the Board.</p> <p>The use of school facilities shall not be granted for any commercial or profit-making organization, partisan political activity, private social function or any purpose which is prohibited by law.</p> <p>The Board shall establish a schedule of fees for the use of school facilities by approved groups.</p> <p>The Board reserves the right to modify the fee schedule and to either permit or not permit any organization or individual to use school facilities.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall implement administrative regulations or procedures for requesting and granting permission for use of school facilities and shall distribute the necessary information to individuals affected by them.</p> <p><u>Application Process</u></p> <p>When school facilities are used, an insurance policy for organizational liability shall be required. A copy of the policy in the name of the organization shall be filed with the Business Manager when application to use a facility is made.</p>
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<p>SC 511</p>	<p>The Board shall be held harmless by the user for any liability that arises from the use of school facilities by any nonschool-related organization, individual or activity.</p> <p>Users shall be financially liable for damage to the facilities and for proper chaperonage.</p> <p>All fees shall be payable within two (2) weeks of the event and shall be submitted to the Business Manager.</p> <p><u>Limitations</u></p> <p>The following guidelines shall be required for all organizations that use school facilities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. There must be a school custodian on duty at all times when school facilities are in use.2. The building and equipment must be left in clean and orderly condition. Where applicable, additional charges shall be billed for custodial and/or technical services.3. The organization using the facility shall be responsible for paying for the necessary police and fire protection services.4. School equipment used in conjunction with requested facilities shall be identified at the time that the request for use of facilities is made. Users of school equipment must accept liability for any damage to or loss of equipment that occurs while in their use. Where rules so specify, no equipment may be used except by a qualified operator. <p><u>Prohibited Activities</u></p> <p>The following activities are strictly prohibited in school facilities when individuals and community groups are granted written permission to use said school facilities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Possession, use or distribution of illegal drugs and/or alcoholic beverages.2. Possession of weapons.3. Conduct that would alter, damage or be injurious to any district property, equipment or furnishings.
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<p>10 P.S. Sec. 311 et seq Title 61 Sec. 901.701</p> <p>35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7182, 7183</p> <p>SC 511</p>	<p>4. Conduct that would constitute a violation of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code, and/or state and federal laws and regulations.</p> <p>5. Gambling, games of chance, lotteries, raffles or other activities requiring a license under the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, unless such activity has been expressly authorized by the Board or administration.</p> <p>6. Use of tobacco products.</p> <p><u>Violations</u></p> <p>The school district reserves the right to remove from school district premises any individual or community group who fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this policy and established procedures.</p> <p>In the event an individual or community group violates this policy or the terms under which permission was granted to use school facilities, that individual or community group forfeits the right to submit future written requests to use school district property, unless otherwise decided by the Board.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 511, 775, 779</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 403.1</p> <p>Department of Revenue Regulations – 61 PA Code Sec. 901.1, 901.701</p> <p>Local Option Small Games of Chance Act – 10 P.S. Sec. 311 et seq.</p> <p>School Tobacco Control – 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5</p> <p>Pro-Children Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.</p> <p>Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7905</p> <p>Board Policy – 000</p>
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