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COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

The School Board may permit the use of school property by members of the community when such use will not impair the efficiency of the school.

The School Board permits the use of school facilities by organizations outside of school hours, and when such use will not impair the operations of the schools. The School Board shall approve fees for the use of school facilities. Groups and organizations affiliated with the school division (such as PTOs) or the City of Charlottesville (such as the Department of Parks and Recreation) will be given priority for the use of school facilities. School facilities shall not be used for partisan political purposes, including campaign events. However, school facilities may be used for civic events such as political debates, candidate forums, or visits by elected officials in connection with government or school division business, or as part of the curriculum.

The superintendent shall develop guidelines and applications for the use of school property. Requests for the use of any school facilities shall be made to the superintendent or superintendent's designee. The superintendent shall report actions taken under this policy to the School Board at the end of each month.

If the School Board permits the use of its facilities by members of the community or the distribution of literature on school property or at school functions, it will permit such use or such distribution by the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, and other youth groups designated as patriotic societies by federal law, to the same extent and in the same manner as all other persons or groups.

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Legal Refs.: 20 U.S.C. § 7905

Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-70, 22.1-79.3, 22.1-131, 22.1-132.01.

Cross Refs.: DN Disposal of Surplus Items
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