

### COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

The School Board subscribes to the notion that the public schools are owned and operated by and for the community and that the schools become an integral part of the community in terms of its intellectual and social expression and development. To this end the School Board encourages the public use of the school building and grounds.

Authorization for use of the school facilities shall NOT be considered as endorsement of or approval of the activity, group or organization nor the purpose they represent.

School-sponsored activities shall always have first priority. The right to authorize use of the school and its grounds shall be retained by the Board and/or the Superintendent, but shall typically be delegated to the Principal and the Coordinator who will keep the master schedule. Such use will be determined by the District policy and will be only at such times as are free from district curricular and extra-curricular use.

It is the point of the School Board to make the school and its grounds available to the residents of the District to the fullest extent possible within the established guidelines. No one group will be permitted to over use the facility, and the priority for use shall be based upon the following.

1. School sponsored activities
2. Related school activities (PAL)
3. Local government activities such as public hearings
4. North Hampton Recreation Department
5. North Hampton Youth Organizations
6. Other area Youth Organizations with North Hampton participants
7. North Hampton Adult recreational groups
8. Community service or charitable organizations
9. Other area Adult recreation groups with North Hampton participants

Fundraising activities may be conducted in the facility when it is clear that the use of the funds raised is to benefit the community at large and not one individual or group.

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