Community Use of School Facilities

The Expeditionary Learning School BOCES recognizes that the school facilities belong to the school community. Therefore, it is the policy of Expeditionary Learning School BOCES to make available the use of school facilities to the community when not in use for school activities. The Expeditionary Learning School BOCES recognizes that the primary purpose of the school’s facilities is to implement the regular instructional program. The BOCES further recognizes that there are costs involved in the use of facilities and that charges should be assessed so that tax money will not be used in support of non-school program activities. Any financial commitment of the school arising out of community use of school facilities is subject to appropriation by Expeditionary Learning School BOCES.

Permission for use of the school’s facilities does not constitute a school endorsement of any organization, the beliefs of an organization, individual, or group, nor the expression of any opinion regarding the nomination, retention, election, or defeat of any candidate, nor the expression of any opinion as to the passage or defeat of any issue.

The Expeditionary Learning School BOCES reserves the right to refuse approval or to cancel any and all Applications for Use of School Facilities issued for the use of a school building, grounds, or its facilities when it is deemed that such action is necessary for the best interest of the school.

The Expeditionary Learning School BOCES delegates to the Executive Director or designee the authority to set fees for the use of school facilities and for other related costs. Such fees and costs shall be subject to annual review and adjustment, as approved by the Expeditionary Learning School BOCES.

The applicant, by signing the Application for Use of School Facilities, agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the school, the Expeditionary Learning School BOCES, individual BOCES members, Directors, and Employees, and any person whose property may be within the said building, from any and all claims, liabilities, costs, causes of actions, judgments, damages, losses and expenses brought or actions filed against the school, the Expeditionary Learning School BOCES, individual BOCES members, Directors, and Employees, in the defense of any actions or claims arising out of or relating to applicant’s use of the premises and facilities. The school reserves the right to require a Public Use Bond on a form acceptable to the school, or a deposit for protection of the building, facility and equipment, and to guarantee the rental or related expenses. In addition, the school reserves the right to require evidence of insurance in the form of a certificate of insurance, which will name the school as an additionally named insured. The school will specify the minimum insurance coverage to be obtained and maintained by the Applicant during the use of the building, facility and equipment. Such insurance will be carried with insurance companies satisfactory to the school.

Expeditionary Learning School BOCES policies and regulations which govern school use of facilities shall, when applicable, also govern community use of school facilities.

Grounds and fields may be available for limited and approved community use. This use is subject to cancellation or adjustment due to weather, maintenance needs, or field conditions.
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Groups wishing reserved, exclusive use will be charged a use fee in accordance with the current fee schedule.

Violations of any of the provisions of this policy or its accompanying regulation shall be grounds for immediate cancellation of a current facility use agreement and/or denial of future building or facilities use rental applications and/or agreements.

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LEGAL REF.: C.R.S. 22-32-110 (1)(f)

CROSS REF.: ADC, Tobacco-Free Schools
ECA, Security/Access to Buildings
KFA, Public Conduct on School Property