

3280 - Use of School Facilities, Materials and Equipment

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Community Relations

SUBJECT: USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

School Facilities

It is the policy of the Board of Education of the Wayland-Cohocton Central School District to permit use of its buildings and grounds by Board-approved school and student organizations (such as student council, clubs and athletic teams) and for Board-approved school-related activities when the use is consistent with educational purposes and with Federal and State law.

It is the policy of the Board of Education of the Wayland-Cohocton Central School District to permit community (defined to mean organizations and activities, which are not officially approved or sponsored by the Board of Education) use of its buildings and grounds when they are not being used for school purposes or when community use would not disrupt school operations. In general, the Board will permit community use of its buildings and grounds for educational, social, civic and recreational activities in a manner consistent with State law.

To carry out this Policy, the Board authorizes the Superintendent, or his/her designee, to adopt administrative regulations and procedures. These regulations and procedures should include: the establishment of forms for requesting use of District facilities, procedures for reviewing requests, supervision requirements, and rules for access to and use of District facilities.

The Superintendent, or his/her designee, will provide the Board with copies of the administrative regulations and procedures which have been adopted to implement this Policy. The Superintendent, or his/her designee, will also provide the Board with reports of use of school facilities and any problems associated with use approved under this Policy. The Board reserves the right and discretion to modify this Policy and its implementing Regulations as it deems necessary.

Materials and Equipment

Except when used in connection with or rented under provisions of Education Law Section 414, school-owned materials or equipment may be used for school related purposes only. Private and/or personal use of school-owned materials and equipment is strictly prohibited. The loan of equipment and materials for public purposes that serve the welfare of the community is allowed, as long as the equipment is not needed at that time for school purposes and that the proposed use will not disrupt normal school operations.

The Board will permit school materials and equipment to be loaned to staff members when such use is directly or peripherally related to their employment and to students when the material and equipment is to be used in connection with their studies or extracurricular activities. Community members will be allowed to use school-owned materials and equipment only for educational purposes that relate to school operations. The Board will also allow the loan of equipment to local governments and other entities that benefit the welfare of the surrounding community. The Board supports such inter-municipal cooperation as it saves taxpayer monies and is a more efficient use of scarce or costly equipment and resources.

Administrative regulations will be developed to assure the lender's responsibility for, and return of, all such materials and equipment.

Education Law Section 414

NY Constitution Article 8

NOTE: Refer also to Policies

#3281 -- Use of Facilities by the Boy Scouts of America and Patriotic Youth Groups

#3410 -- Code of Conduct on School Property.

#5640 -- Tobacco-Free School Environment

#7320 -- Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs and Other Substances (Students)

District Code of Conduct on School Property

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