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**USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

The District facilities belong to the community, which paid for them for the primary purpose of offering a full educational program for its children. Prudent use and management of school facilities outside of the regular operating schedules -- providing that such use does not interfere with the orderly conduct of a thorough and efficient system of education -- allows the community to benefit more broadly from the use of its own property.

The Board will permit the use of school facilities when such permission has been requested in writing and has been approved by Superintendent or his/her designee for:

- A. Uses and groups directly related to the school and the operations of the school;
- B. Uses and organizations indirectly related to the school;
- C. Departments or agencies of the municipal government;
- D. Other governmental agencies;
- E. Community organizations formed for charitable, civic or educational purposes;
- F. Community political organizations;
- G. Community church groups.

Charges for the use of school facilities during normal operating hours shall be waived for the following organizations in the Pennsville School District when admission is not charged and such use does not include the kitchen:

Parent Associations	Booster Clubs
Civic Organizations	Senior Citizen Groups
Girl/Boy Scouts	Pennsville Municipality
Church Groups	Community Political Organizations

All other organizations or persons granted the use of school shall within thirty (30) days of use pay the scheduled fee and the cost of any additional staff services required by the use.

The use of school facilities shall not be granted for the advantage of any commercial or profit-making organization, private social functions, or any purpose which is prohibited by law. In the event the Superintendent or his/her designee deems it advisable, any application may be submitted to the Board for consideration.

The Superintendent or his/designee and/or the Board may refuse to grant the use of a school building whenever in their judgment there is good reason why permission should be refused. They shall not be required to give a reason for such refusal.



Good News Club v. Milford Central School, 121 S.Ct. 2093 (2001)

**Possible**

**Cross References:**

1230	School-connected organizations
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