PUBLIC USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

The Board of Education subscribes to the principle that the school facilities are intended to be used not only as places where the community's children are educated, but also as centers for cultural, educational, and recreational opportunities for all the community's adults.

The use of school facilities by any groups can in no way interfere with the school program and will be subject to the limitations of the law and regulations established by the Superintendent of Schools. The Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee shall determine if a requested use would interfere with or disturb the district's educational programs. Permits for the use of school facilities are subject to change or cancelation due to unforeseen circumstances such as the rescheduling of Nyack Public Schools athletic game or practice, or other school events.

Approval for Use of Facilities

The Superintendent, or his/her designee, is authorized to approve and schedule the use of school facilities by approved community groups in accordance with the established regulations. The application of any group, not on or covered by the approved list, requesting the use of the school facilities, will be forwarded to the Board for action. Where appropriate, a fee schedule has been established by the Board which is the basis for billing.

Due to the great demand for use of the district's facilities and expenses experienced from same, priority will be given to district residents and organizations over all other applicants.

The Board, the Superintendent or designee retain absolute discretion to deny a permit in the best interests of the district and if the facility requested has been overused or is in danger of deterioration because of excess use.

<u>Insurance</u>

All organizations are required to provide insurance protection unless otherwise noted in regulation. Such insurance shall be the amount specified in 1500-R Public Use of School Facilities Regulation and shall comply with all insurance specifications set forth in this regulation.

The approved organizations shall be required to defend, indemnify and save harmless the Nyack Union Free School District from and against any and all liability, loss, damages, claims for bodily injury and/or property damages, cost and expenses including counsel fees

and court costs, to the extent permissible by law, arising out of the use of the District facilities by the organization, its agents, servants, employees and/or its students. The organization should inspect the facilities to be utilized in order to see if they are acceptable for their purposes.

The insurance certificate must be received before the use permit will be issued.

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