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## COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Any group or individual requesting the use of school facilities, except for school activities, must submit an application to the school principal or their designee not less than two weeks prior to the time school facilities are needed. Approvals will be issued to an adult only.

Approval may be denied at the discretion of the principal due to lack of appropriate space or if a previous activity by the applicant resulted in a violation of any aspect of any School Board policy or guidelines.

Facility Use Permits will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. . When requests are made concurrently, preference will be given first to school sponsored groups, second to Hollis and Brookline community groups and then to other organizations.

When schools have been closed because of inclement weather, the facilities will be closed for all use. Exceptions may be granted on a case by case basis by the Superintendent or their designee. The schools do not assume the responsibility of contacting groups when such closures occur.

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Organizations may use school property upon payment of suitable fees and costs, according to the fee schedule recommended by the Superintendent or their designee and approved by the Board. The Board reserves the right to waive rental fees for charitable or non-profit organizations.

Whenever a community group is permitted to use a school or other facility, at least one district employee must be on hand, paid for by the organization, when in the opinion of the Superintendent, it is necessary to supervise the individuals and protect school property. The number of paid employees shall depend on the type of service, number to be served and number of volunteers.

No school building or facility shall be used for any purpose which could result in protesting, rioting, disturbing the peace or damage to property or for any purpose prohibited by law.

Any decision to deny the use of the facility under these conditions will be made by the principal in consultation with the superintendent and local law enforcement.

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The superintendent or their designee, on the basis of this policy and its accompanying regulations, shall approve all rentals of school facilities. The principal or their designee reserves the right to cancel or reschedule events as circumstances dictate. The Board must approve any special requests or exceptions to this policy and/or regulations.

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1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Amendment: November 13, 2019

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Amendment: January 22, 2019

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3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Amendment February 12, 2019

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