

USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

The Governing Board recognizes that district facilities are a community resource whose primary purpose is to be used for school programs and activities. The Board authorizes the use of school facilities by community groups for purposes provided for in the Civic Center Act when such use does not interfere with school activities.

(cf. 3513.3 – Tobacco-Free Schools/Smoking)

(cf. 6145.5 – Student Organizations and Equal Access)

The Board believes that school facilities provide an important link between the District and Community. The Board authorizes the use of school facilities by nonprofit organizations, and clubs or associations organized to promote youth and school activities without charge for rent or utilities. When the event/activity requires the presence of District personnel, i.e., custodians or cafeteria staff, outside of regularly-scheduled hours, the club or association will be responsible for the actual salary paid. Other groups requesting the use of school facilities under the Civic Center Act shall be charged at least direct costs.

The following groups, designated by the district as “auxiliary” organizations, are covered under the District’s liability insurance policy when using school facilities:

- Orland Alumni Association
- Orland High School Sports boosters
- Orland Music Supporters
- Orland High School Parent Group
- Orland Community Scholarship Association
- Senior Parents Graduation Night Committee
- Mill Street Parent Group
- Fairview Parent Group
- C.K. Price Parent Group

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

[10900-10914.5](#) Community Recreation Programs

[38130-38138](#) Civic Center Act: use of school property for public purposes

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

79 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen 248 (1996)

COURT DECISIONS

Lamb's Chapel v. Center Moriches Union Free School District (1993) 113 S.Ct. 2141

Cole v. Richardson, (1972) 405 U.S. 676, 92 S.Ct. 1332

Connell v. Higgenbotham, (1971) 403 U.S. 207, 91 S.Ct. 1772

Good News Club et.al. v. Milford Central school (2001) 553 U.S. no. 99-2036

ACLU of So. Calif. v. Board of Education of San Diego, (1963) 59 Cal .2d 224

ACLU of So. Calif. v. Board of Education of Los Angeles, (1963) 59 Cal .2d 203

ACLU of So. Calif. v. Board of Education of San Diego, (1961) 55 Cal .2d 906

ACLU of So. Calif. v. Board of Education of Los Angeles,(1961) 55 Cal .2d 167

Good News Club et.al. v. Milford Central School (2001) 533 U.S. no. 99-2036

Management Resources:

CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES

[1101.89](#) School District Liability and "Hold Harmless" Agreements, LO: 4-89

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