

Hardeman County Board of Education

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| Monitoring: Review: Annually, in October | Descriptor Term: Community Use of School Facilities | Descriptor Code: 3.206 | Issued Date: 01/10/02 |
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1 When not in use for school purposes, school buildings and grounds or portions thereof may be used for
2 public, governmental, charitable, civic, recreational, cultural, and other purposes as approved by the
3 Board.^{1,2,3}

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- 5 1. Requests for the use of school facilities shall be made at the office of the principal prior to the
- 6 date of use;
- 7 2. Student clubs and activities, parent-teacher associations, and other organizations affiliated with
- 8 the schools shall be permitted use of school facilities without charge;
- 9 3. School facilities may not be used for private profit;²
- 10 4. All activities must be under adult supervision and approved by the building principal. In all cases,
- 11 an assigned school employee will be present. The group using the facilities will be responsible
- 12 for any damage to the building or equipment;
- 13 5. Groups receiving permission for building use are restricted to the dates and hours approved and to
- 14 the building area and facilities specified, unless requested changes are approved by the principal;
- 15 6. Groups receiving permission for building use are responsible for the observance of all fire and
- 16 safety regulations at all times;
- 17 7. The use of alcoholic beverages, drugs or tobacco, profane language, or gambling in any form is
- 18 not permitted;
- 19 8. The Board will cooperate with recognized agencies, such as the Red Cross, National Guard and
- 20 Civil Defense, and will make suitable facilities available without charge during community
- 21 emergencies;
- 22 9. When school kitchens are used, at least one member of the cafeteria staff must be present to
- 23 supervise the use of the equipment; and
- 24 10. The Board will approve and periodically review a fee schedule for the use of school facilities by
- 25 community or civic organizations and other non-profit, recreational, religious, political or
- 26 philosophical groups.
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36 Legal References:

- 37 1. TCA 49-50-201
- 38 2. TCA 49-2-203(b)(4)
- 39 3. *Lamb's Chapel v. Center Moriches Union Free School District*,
40 113 S. Ct. 2141 (1993)
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Cross References:

- Tobacco-Free Schools 1.803
Care of School Property 6.311