## **USE OF FACILITIES, GROUNDS AND EQUIPMENT**

## **Background**

Under the *School Act*, the District is responsible for the provision of facilities, grounds and equipment sufficient to conduct the school age education program. To provide these facilities, planning is required to respond to external and internal demands, including enrolment growth or decline and the expansion, contraction, or relocation of District education programs.

## **Procedures**

The following principles are to be observed for the use of facilities, grounds and equipment.

- 1. School facilities, grounds and equipment are District assets, and the use of these assets will be in accordance with Board policies and District administrative procedures, and in consultation with the school administration.
- 2. The first priority for the use of all District assets is to provide an effective and efficient operation of school age education programs.
- 3. In addition to the school age education programs, the District will also consider the use of District assets for other District programs and services. Once school age education needs are met, other District initiatives will have priority use of these District assets.
- 4. After the needs of school age education and other District initiatives are met, the District supports the use of District assets for non-school purposes, including community and commercial uses.
- 5. Non-school uses must not adversely affect the resources available for school age education programs and District initiatives and can be allowed only at no cost to the District. Any non-school uses of District assets must be done on a full cost-recovery basis. Where appropriate, revenues are to be generated from the non-school use of District assets and used to support the school age education program and shared with the school, as determined in administrative procedures.
- 6. Environmental, liability, safety, humane, and jurisdictional issues must also be considered prior to any use of District assets.
- 7. No smoking is permitted on school premises or school grounds.
- 8. No consumption of alcohol is permitted on school premises without appropriate license from the Liquor Control and Licensing Board.

Reference: Sections 22, 23, 65, 85 School Act

Liquor Control and Licensing Act

Disposal of Land or Improvements Order M193/08 School Opening and Closure Order M194/08

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