

Descriptor Term:
USE OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES BY NON-SCHOOL
GROUPS

Descriptor Code:
6.5220

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36, -523, -524

Cross References: 6.5200 Use of Equipment, Materials And Supplies; 6.5210 Personal Use of
Equipment, Materials and Supplies; 5.0000 Schools and the Community; 6.4200
Contracts with the Board

Members of the community may utilize resources in the media centers whenever the centers are open to the public. Students and school-related functions have priority over community members and nonschool-related functions.

Members of the community and nonschool groups may request the use of school property on school premises.

Members of the community and non-school groups may use school property (including computers, software and networks) on school premises. Requests shall be reviewed by the superintendent or designee or by the principal. Use of the property will be allowed only if the following conditions are met: (1) the use will have no or minimal effect on the useful life of the property; (2) the group's use of the property will not interfere with use for school system's purposes; and (3) any other conditions required by the superintendent. Unless authorized by the superintendent, school or board property or school property of a value greater than \$1,000.00 shall not be used by members of the community and non-school groups.

Any agreement to allow use of property must be in writing. The agreement must specify that the individual or group using the property will be responsible for the proper care and preservation of the property and will compensate the school district for any loss in value as is determined by the superintendent or designee. The agreement shall also stipulate that no liability will attach to the board, individually or collectively, and that the board will be held harmless for personal injury suffered by use of school property pursuant to such agreements. A reasonable use fee may be set by the superintendent or designee and may be included in the agreement. The superintendent is authorized to enter into such a written agreement on behalf of the board.