

Independent School District 152

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District Use of Community Facilities

Administrative Procedure: 924.1 Section: 900 School District - Community

Relations

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I. PURPOSE

Moorhead Area Public Schools encourages and supports the use of appropriate community facilities and space for instructional sites, field trips, and meetings. Using community space serves to get students into the community, maximizes the use of existing facilities, and contributes to meeting learner outcomes. Learning sites in the community are extremely valuable for early childhood classes, enhancing and supplementing the K-12 curriculum and providing educational experiences in the community for learners of all ages.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT

A. School district staff is requested to make decisions relating to off-school learning and meeting sites based on the following:

- 1. Appropriateness for Learning The instructor or organizer needs to determine whether a particular site will assist the learner in meeting the learner outcomes and offer opportunities not available in the classroom.
- 2. Safety Safety considerations will vary with the age of the learner. Some sites appropriate for school-age learners will not be appropriate for preschoolers or older adults. The instructor or class organizer will need to evaluate the site and possible hazards.
- 3. Accessibility Facilities must be handicapped accessible. Arrangements need to be made so that all learners can be included.
- 4. Insurance If the use of a proposed site involves insurance indemnification, contact the Moorhead Area Public Schools Business Office.
- 5. Costs Transportation and rental costs are major considerations in using any off-site learning location.