

7.10.1 DISTRICT JOINT USE POLICY

I. PHILOSOPHY

- A. The Elkins School District is committed to provide for efficient use of public resources and permit access to needed services. Therefore, the Board of Directors may enter into joint use agreements with local governmental agencies, postsecondary institutions, and/or community organizations to make school grounds or facilities available for public use or to use community facilities for school programs.
- B. Such use shall be based on student and community needs and may be designed to increase access to spaces for recreation and physical activity, library services, school health centers, preschool programs, child care centers, before or after school programs or other programs that benefit students and the community.

II. INTENT

- A. It is the intent of this policy to encourage and promote wellness through good nutrition and physical activity as a part of the total learning environment. Assisting students in developing positive healthy lifestyles is an important component in the education of the total student.
- B. This policy authorizes the superintendent to enter into agreements with other partner agencies and/or community organizations to promote the health and general welfare of the youth in the school district and contribute to the enhancement of the recreational opportunities afforded to the children in the community.

III. ASSURANCE

- A. Whenever district property will be used for joint use activities such activities shall be scheduled during non-school hours and shall not interfere with the educational program.
- B. Requests for public use of school facilities must include information about how the activity will be supervised and must be approved by the Superintendent.
- C. All joint use agreements must be approved by the superintendent or designee.

Legal Reference: A.C.A. § 6-21-101

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