

## Policy 730 – Community Use Of School Facilities

The Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) develops school facilities and grounds primarily for student use and recognizes that use of school facilities by the community may provide additional opportunities and activities for students. Because of these mutual benefits, the Board believes in joint-use or community association-use arrangements with communities.

It believes, also, that joint-use, community association-use, or rental arrangements should not put the district in competition with private business and other organizations in providing facilities for commercial and private users. In arranging joint-use, community association-use and community rental agreements the Board recognizes the value of community involvement for students and acknowledges the many community groups who donate money and equipment to schools.

The Board of Education has a history of encouraging the use of school district facilities and grounds by the Cariboo-Chilcotin community.

Community use of facilities should not draw school district resources from educational programs; therefore, rental rates for facilities will be established on a graduated fee schedule based on the user group's ability to pay, and how closely the organization's use of facilities aligns with the School District's goals and objectives.