

6.6.1--Joint Use Agreement

The Van Buren School District is committed to provide for efficient use of public resources and increase access to recreational facilities. Therefore, the Board of Directors may enter into joint use agreements with local governmental agencies and/or community organizations to make school grounds available for public use. Such recreation and physical activity that benefit students and the community.

When it is determined that joint use of facilities is in the best interest of the district and community, the Superintendent or designee shall identify potential partner agencies or organizations. He/she shall also establish planning processes that involve those partners, appropriate district and school staff and community members in establishing goals and priorities for joint use, determining locations where programs or facilities are most needed, and establish protocols for ongoing communication and coordination among the partners.

It is the intent of this policy to encourage and promote health and wellness through physical activity for the youth in the school district and members of the community. (Assisting students in developing positive healthy lifestyles is an important component in the education of the total student and providing recreational opportunities to enhance the general welfare and well-being of the community.)

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.

All joint use agreements must be approved by the Superintendent or designee.

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