

Book	Policy Manual
Section	700 Property
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Purpose

The Spring-Ford Area School District is an integral part of the community. The members of the Board of School Directors restate their belief that, because the school buildings and facilities belong to the people of the community, they should be made available for community purposes, provided that such use does not interfere with the educational programs of the schools.

Authority

The school district will, through appropriate administrative procedures, make available to the community the all-weather track at Coach McNelly Stadium during established times and as appropriately determined by the school administration. The members of the Spring-Ford Area School District Board of School Directors shall reserve the right to deny the use of the all-weather track at Coach McNelly Stadium based on this policy.

Guidelines

1. An initial cost will be charged to a district resident in order to obtain an access card. To apply for a card, one must be eighteen (18) years of age and a current resident of the Spring-Ford Area School District. An annual renewal fee will be charged on the original issue date of the access card. Access cards are obtained by completing the Agreement and Release of Liability Form and the Track Registration Form. Contact the district office to-set up an appointment to obtain an access card.
2. The loss of an access card must be reported to the district office upon discovery to deactivate the card. In the event of a lost access card, the individual will be charged a fee for a replacement card. Upon receipt of payment, a replacement access card will be issued by the district.
3. The track facility will be opened from dawn to dusk, every non-student day, weekend day and during all school breaks, to district residents who have approved access with certain restrictions. Access to the track is for the running/walking lanes and not for use of the turf field, areas between the end-zone and the running/walking track, bleachers, bathrooms or other areas.
4. Track usage is prohibited during the school day and/or if there is a home sporting event, practice (sports, band, event or rental) utilizing the track and/or turf field.
5. Residents who have obtained an access card are not permitted to share their access card with others. Any child(ren) under the age of eighteen (18) may enter with their parent/guardian who has obtained their access card from the district office. Sharing or using the access card multiple times to allow others into the running/walking area is strictly prohibited. Violations of

this type of access card misuse shall result in a six (6) month suspension of the access card.

6. Licensed vehicles may be operated only on driveways and parking lots. Unlicensed motor vehicles, including but not limited to mini-bikes, snowmobiles, ATVs and the like, shall not be operated on district property.
7. Residents are NOT permitted to use the turf field, high jump pads, and pole vault pads. The access card is for use of the all-weather track only. Use of other areas or and/or equipment shall result in a six (6) month suspension of the access card.
8. Maintain proper conduct. The use of obscene language is not permitted.
9. Users of the all-weather track will respect the personal property of others.
10. No bikes, skateboards, roller skates or rollerblades are allowed on the track area.
11. No high heeled shoes are permitted on the track, only footwear with rubber soles is permitted.
12. No strollers of any type are permitted inside the track fence.
13. Items that may cause damage to the synthetic surface are not permitted inside the track perimeter fencing. These items include, but are not limited to: food, gum, and sunflower seeds.
14. No pets are permitted on school district property (all campuses) including all buildings, playing fields, playgrounds, stadiums and walking pathways.
15. Water is permitted.

Additional regulations may be developed by the administration for specific buildings or grounds.

Prohibited Activities

The following activities are strictly prohibited in school facilities and on school district property:

1. Possession, use or distribution of illegal drugs and/or alcoholic beverages.
2. Possession of weapons.
3. Conduct that would alter, damage or be injurious to any district property, equipment, or furnishings.
4. Conduct that would constitute a violation of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code, and/or state and federal laws and regulations.
5. Use of tobacco products.

Violations

The district reserves the right to remove from district premises any individual or organization, who fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this policy.

In the event an individual or organization violates this policy or the terms under which permission was granted to use school facilities, that individual forfeits the use of the access card as well as the right to submit future written requests to use district property, unless otherwise decided by the board. Such actions shall be considered as trespassing on school property and may subject the offender to criminal prosecution.