TALBOT COUNTY   POLICY CODE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS   11.4
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COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES – CHILD CARE

I.   The Talbot Count Board of Education recognizes both the educational as well as social
        benefits of child care services for citizens of the communities served by the schools. The
        quality of life in any community is commensurate with conditions such as employment
        opportunities, services available, recreational activities and, or course, educational
        opportunities. As these conditions improve the community thrives and educational
        opportunities increase.

II.   In response to this understanding, the Talbot County Board of Education wishes to
        promote and support the proliferation of child care programs across te county. All such
        programs whether public or private, should be educationally sound and socially and
        developmentally appropriate for the children to be served. In so promoting such
        endeavors, Talbot County school personnel are to take a supportive approach toward
        enabling public and private organizations to plan and implement such programs,
        including but not limited to the use of space within the schools and other buildings under
        the Board's control.

III.   Caution must be noted, however, when plans are being made for such use of school
        space. The Annotated Code of Maryland allows for such use of school facilities, but
        maintains the right of the schools to resecure all school facilities when such time occurs
        that the space in question is needed for the regular and required public instructional
        program. (7-108 and 7-109)

IV.   In addition, the Superintendent is to periodically review the use of school facilities by
        such programs in an effort to make certain the above conditions are observed and that the
        facilities are properly cared for. In addition, the Superintendent shall annually provide
        and application form by which each organization can apply for us of school space. This
        application in turn will designate the fees and other provisions for their use.

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