Other than the use of common outdoor areas, the grounds and the facilities of the College District shall be made available to students or registered student organizations [see FKC] when such use does not conflict with use by, or any of the policies and procedures of, the College District. The requesting students or student organization shall pay all expenses incurred by their use of the facilities in accordance with a fee schedule developed by the Board.

The use of and the distribution of materials in College District common outdoor areas are subject to the policies set out in GD.

Requests

To request permission to meet on College District premises, interested students or registered student organizations shall submit a request through OrgSync Cougar Connect with the Office of Student Engagement in accordance with administrative procedures.

The students or the registered student organization making the request shall indicate that they have read and understand the policies and rules governing use of College District facilities and that they will abide by those rules.

Students and student organizations may, and are encouraged to, reserve a space to assemble in the common outdoor areas of the College District. Once a person or group reserves a certain space in a common outdoor area for assembly or expressive activities, it is not available for another person or group’s use or reservation at the same time. Therefore, any person or group using or occupying the space without a reservation must yield control of the space in time to permit any user with a reservation to begin using the space promptly at the beginning of the reserved time. See FLA.

Approval

The assistant director of student engagement shall approve or reject the request in accordance with provisions of and deadlines set out in this policy and administrative procedures, without regard to the religious, political, philosophical, ideological, academic viewpoint, or other content of the speech likely to be associated with the student’s or registered student organization’s use of the facility.

Approval shall not be granted when the official has reasonable grounds to believe that:

1. The College District facility requested is unavailable, inadequate, or inappropriate to accommodate the proposed use at the time requested;
2. The applicant is under a disciplinary penalty or sanction prohibiting the use of the facility;

3. The proposed use includes non-permissible solicitation [see FI];

4. The proposed use would constitute an immediate and actual danger to the peace or security of the College District that available law enforcement officials could not control with reasonable efforts;

5. The applicant owes a monetary debt to the College District and the debt is considered delinquent;

6. The proposed activity would disrupt or disturb the regular academic program;

7. The proposed use would result in damage to or defacement of property or the applicant has previously damaged College District property; or

8. The proposed activity would constitute an unauthorized joint sponsorship with an outside group.

The assistant director of student engagement shall provide the applicant a written statement of the grounds for rejection if a request is denied.

Announcements and Publicity

In accordance with administrative procedures, all students and registered student organizations shall be given access on the same basis for making announcements and publicizing their meetings and activities.

Identification

Students or registered student organizations using College District facilities shall provide identification when requested to do so by a College District representative or College District police officer.

Violations

Failure to comply with the policy and procedures regarding student use of College District facilities shall result in appropriate administrative action, including but not limited to, suspension of a student’s or a registered student organization’s use of College District facilities and/or other disciplinary action in accordance with the College District’s discipline policies and procedures [see FM and FMA] and student handbook.

Appeals

Decisions made by the administration under this policy may be appealed in accordance with FLD(LOCAL).

[For distribution of literature, see FLA]