# ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION/ ORANGE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

## FACILITIES USE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES Effective July 1, 2011

All policies and procedures are subject to change

The California Education Code sections 38130-38139 govern the Orange County Department of Education/Orange County Superintendent of Schools (OCDE/OCSS) facilities use.

#### A. Facilities Use Application

- 1. Reservations for the use of meeting rooms at the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) are made by contacting OCDE's Facilities/Operations Department at (714) 966-4070.
- 2. Due to the limited number of facilities available for use, priority for use of facilities shall be as follows:
  - a.) OCDE
  - b.) OCDE's Educational Partners
  - c.) OCDE's Civic Partners
  - d.) Non-Profit Organizations
  - e.) Profit and Religious Organizations.
- 3. The use and occupancy of the facilities shall be primarily for public education related activities. Other use shall be secondary and subordinate to this primary purpose.
- 4. Applicant shall not engage in sales or solicitation of goods, wares, merchandise or services.
- 5. All requests for facilities use shall be made on an OCDE/OCSS application form. A completed application form shall be signed by the applicant and forwarded, with payment, proof of non-profit status, if applicable, and liability insurance certificate including required endorsements, to the Facilities/Operations Department. Upon verification of availability, the Facilities/Operations Department will forward the request to the Facilities/Operations Administrator for final approval.
- 6. Applications must be filed at least ten (10) business days in advance of the scheduled event.
- 7. Applicants may make tentative reservations up to three (3) months prior to the scheduled event.
- 8. The Facilities/Operations Department will hold dates for applicants no more than ten (10) business days. If the completed application form, required documentation, and fees are not received by the Facilities/Operations Department within ten (10) business days of the

- scheduled event, the specific room(s) and date(s) will be made available for usage by other applicants.
- 9. Even if approved and fees collected, all reservations made more than four (4) weeks in advance of the scheduled event date shall be considered "tentative" until four (4) weeks prior to the scheduled event. Any date changes or cancellations more than four (4) weeks prior to a scheduled event may be made without penalty.
- 10. The penalty to the applicant for a date change or cancellation made prior to a scheduled event shall be a forfeiture of the original cost of the event as follows:
  - Four (4) weeks prior to event 10% forfeiture of original cost of the event.
  - Three (3) weeks prior to event 20% forfeiture of original cost of the event.
  - Two (2) weeks prior to event 30% forfeiture of original cost of the event.
  - One (1) week prior to event 40% forfeiture of original cost of the event.
- 11. Any application may be revoked by the OCDE/OCSS without prior notice when unforeseen or unavoidable circumstances occur and the facilities are needed for educational or emergency resource purposes. Should an application be revoked for these reasons, all fees shall be refunded in full to applicant.
- 12. Facilities use applications are not transferable.
- 13. OCDE/OCSS encourages proactive planning. However, booking in excess of the actual anticipated use ("over-booking") is not permitted and may result in facilities use fee forfeiture.
- 14. Applicants must designate a representative who shall respond to concerns or questions about the event, complete all of the facilities use application requirements, communicate all of the facilities use regulations to the event participants and make sure the facilities are left in an orderly and clean condition suitable for subsequent use after the event.

#### **B. Facilities Use Fee Schedule**

- 1. All fees are due at the time of application submittal.
- 2. The current fee schedule is attached. Additional fees may apply when support services from educational technology, media, reprographics, and/or food services are requested.
- 3. A non-refundable fee of \$25.00 (Non-Profit organizations) and \$50.00 (for Profit organizations) is required with submittal of application.
- 4. Any additional costs incurred by OCDE/OCSS for applicant's use of facilities will be billed directly to the applicant.
- 5. No money or other compensation shall be paid to any OCDE/OCSS employee in the form of a tip or gratuity.
- 6. Use of non-building areas such as parking lots will be determined on a case by case basis and fees and costs will be determined accordingly.

- 7. High intensity use such as filming will be considered on a case by case basis and fees and costs will be determined accordingly.
- 8. If exclusive use of a meeting room is required to preserve a particular set up for a multiple day event, the fee offset for preventing others from using the meeting room will be 100% of the normal charge to use the facility for each meeting session for which others are prohibited from using the meeting room.

#### C. OCDE Food Services

- OCDE retains the first right to provide food services. Applicant's use of an outside food/catering service is only permitted upon notification that OCDE Food Services is unable to provide services.
- Food and beverage options are available through OCDE Food Services at an additional
  cost and require an OCDE Food Services Order Form to be submitted a minimum of five
  (5) business days prior to an event. Fees are determined on a per order basis and billed
  accordingly to applicant.

#### D. Educational Technology & Media Services

- 1. All Audio Visual (A/V) equipment, Educational Technology and Media Services support must be requested by applicant at the time of application to ensure availability.
- 2. A/V equipment available for use at no additional fee varies by meeting room. Additional A/V equipment, Educational Technology and Media Services support are subject to fees and availability, determined on a per job basis, and billed accordingly to applicant.

### E. Reprographic Services

1. Reprographic services are available to provide a wide range of services and assistance with printing and duplicating needs. Advance coordination is required, fees are determined on a per job basis, and billed accordingly to applicant.

#### F. Facilities Hours and Operations

- 1. Normal OCDE/OCSS operating hours are 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- 2. Meeting rooms are available during normal OCDE/OCSS operating hours, after hours 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and Saturday from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.
- 3. Facilities are not available for events on holidays and Sundays.

#### G. Facilities Safety and Security

- 1. At no time shall there be more persons admitted to the rooms than the seating capacity will accommodate.
- 2. Room dividers may only be operated by appropriately trained OCDE/OCSS Facilities Staff.
- 3. Decorations shall be fire resistant or flameproof.
- 4. Except as required to keep catered food warm, no flames or other incendiary devices of any kind are allowed. No explosives or fireworks are allowed. No smoke producing devices of any kind are allowed.
- 5. All catered food service is the responsibility of the applicant. The applicant must meet the public health requirements for any food served. Whenever food is served, the applicant must see that leftovers, containers and debris are immediately removed from the facilities at the conclusion of the event.
- 6. No cooking equipment is available or permitted in the facilities. Specialty or personal items are not permitted to be stored or left behind in the facilities.
- 7. All OCDE/OCSS property must be protected from damage and mistreatment and ordinary precautions for cleanliness must be maintained. Immediately notify the OCDE/OCSS Facilities Staff if a spill or other damage to the facilities occurs. Immediate attention is required to prevent injury and facilitate a remedy.
- 8. Applicant shall, at Applicant's sole cost and expense, provide for and maintain in full force and effect during the terms of this application and agreement, a policy or policies of insurance covering Applicant's rental of OCDE/OCSS facilities and furnish a certificate of insurance evidencing all coverages and endorsements required hereunder prior to the commencement of the rental of OCDE/OCSS Facilities. All insurance shall be with an insurance company admitted by the Insurance Commissioner of the State of California to transact such insurance in the State of California. Applicant agrees to secure and maintain comprehensive general liability insurance in the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence and comprehensive automobile liability insurance covering all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles in an amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence. In the event that Applicant' insurance coverage includes damages to rental property limits, those limits shall be in the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence. Applicant further agrees to provide an endorsement to its comprehensive general liability policy or policies naming the Orange County Superintendent of Schools, the Orange County Board of Education and its officers, agents, and employees as additional insured. Applicant shall deliver the certificate of insurance along with a copy of the required endorsements at least ten (10) business days in advance of the Use of Facilities.

In the event that Applicant is either partially or fully self-insured for its liability exposures, Applicant must notify OCDE/OCSS in writing and provide OCDE/OCSS with a statement signed by an authorized representative of Applicant stating that Applicant agrees to hold harmless, defend, and indemnify the Orange County Superintendent of Schools, the Orange County Board of Education, and their officers, employees and agents as if the insurance requirements in the above paragraphs are in full force and effect.

- 9. No events involving animals are permitted.
- 10. Adequate supervision to maintain strict order at all times while using the facilities will be required.
- 11. Depending upon the type of event, and at the discretion of OCDE/OCSS, a security service to assist with supervision and control may be required by OCDE/OCSS and shall be obtained by applicant at their sole cost and expense.
- 12. There shall be no use, possession or selling of alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco. No betting, gambling, lotteries or raffles are allowed in any of the facilities. It is expected that all individuals using the facilities will conduct themselves in a professional manner.
- 13. Criminal or suspicious activity should be immediately reported to the Costa Mesa Police Department and/or OCDE/OCSS Facilities Staff.
- 14. Due to parking space limitations, the applicant needs to request all meeting participants to consider carpooling and other alternative transportation options to reduce congestion in the parking lots.
- 15. No one other than OCDE/OCSS Facilities Staff shall be on any OCDE/OCSS property after 9:00 p.m.
- 16. Violation of any OCDE/OCSS Facilities Use Policy or procedure may result in revocation of future facilities use.

#### H. Meeting Room Use and Guidelines

- 1. All facilities use permits are for <u>specific rooms</u> and for <u>specific hours</u> only. The applicant is responsible for seeing that other portions of the buildings and grounds are not disturbed and that the facilities are accessed timely and vacated promptly as scheduled.
- Additional charges will be assessed if the facilities are not left in a neat and clean condition upon event completion or if the OCDE/OCSS Facilities Staff is prevented from accessing the meeting rooms in a timely manner to set up for the next event.
- 3. With the exception of OCDE/OCSS Facilities Staff, only the applicant and their support staff are allowed access to the specific meeting room(s) thirty (30) minutes prior to an event for set-up and thirty (30) minutes after an event for clean-up.
- 4. OCDE's/OCSS's list of standard furniture and seating configurations for meeting room(s) will be available for review. Furniture and equipment shall not be moved within or between meeting rooms.
- 5. Only pre-glued "Post-it" type chart paper may be applied to the meeting room wall surfaces. Nothing may be applied to any walls in the Board Room. One chart rack is included in each meeting room at no additional cost. Applicant shall be responsible for providing their own chart paper, writing pens, and supplies.

- 6. Where marker boards are provided in the meeting room(s), only dry-erase pens may be used on the marker board surfaces. Applicant is responsible for providing their own dry-erase marking pens and for wiping the marker boards clean when use is completed. OCDE/OCSS provided erasers must remain in the meeting room(s).
- 7. Activities shall be confined to the meeting room(s) and immediately adjacent common areas. Under no circumstances should other meeting room(s) or common areas, the OCDE/OCSS staff lounge or lounge equipment be used by the applicant.