

# REACHING OUT

## Community Use of Schools

### Ministry of Education Community Use of Schools Initiative:

In June 2005, Dufferin-Peel signed an agreement with the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation with regards to community use of schools. In 2006, the Ministry of Education allocated \$20 million in grants for Community Use of Schools to be distributed among all school boards. As a result, Dufferin-Peel received its portion of the grant allocation in exchange for making schools available for community group use.

The key components of this initiative are as follows:

- School Activities Take Priority
- Schools as Hubs of Communities
- Fair and Equal Access to Facilities
- Not-For-Profit Organizations to be charged affordable rates
- Support for a Positive Climate for Youth
- Respect for Roles and Responsibilities

### What's Been Done Since the Agreement:

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board continues to work with the community in order to ensure that it fulfills the Ministry guidelines with regards to Community Use of Schools.

- During the 2007-2008 school year, 143 schools were made available for community use of schools activities in Mississauga, Brampton, Bolton, Caledon, and Orangeville
- 1126 permits were issued for Not-For-Profit groups
- The number of Not-For-Profit participants involved in community use of schools activities were 2,532,093
- Number of hours permitted to Not-For-Profit groups were 344,909

### Program Purpose:

- Ontario's schools are recognized as hubs for community activity for citizens of all ages to support and promote healthy, active lifestyles for community youth
- Schools are made affordable and accessible for community use
- Supporting the goals for a stronger community and student success

### Community Use Outreach Assistants:

Working with Permits staff, Plant supervisory staff, School Administrators, municipalities, community agencies and user groups; the assistants will help to balance the use of Board resources against access to facilities by local community groups, day care providers and reciprocal agreement users while seeking innovative ways to support local communities through maximizing the use of Dufferin-Peel facilities.

During the school year, the Outreach Assistants will be visiting all schools to check on permit group activity. Outlined below is the contact information for the Community Use Outreach Assistants:

#### North Schools:

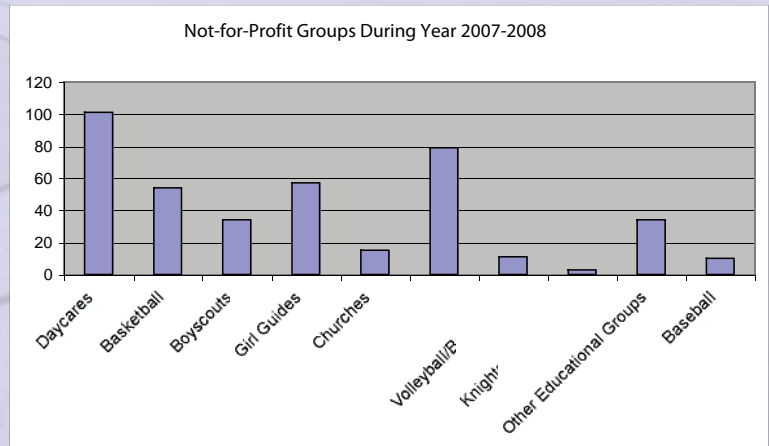
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### Current Not-for-Profit User Groups of Dufferin-Peel Schools:

- Childcare (ex: PLASP, YMCA, Family Services)
- Youth Groups and Catholic Parish Organization Meetings (ex: Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Knights of Columbus)
- Community Groups and Club Activities (ex: Basketball, Soccer, Gymnastics, Continuing Education, International Language)
- Summer Programs (ex: Day Camp, Summer School)
- Commercial / Private Activities (ex: Private/ Corporate Groups, Professional Theatre Groups)
- Special Events (ex: Wedding Receptions, New Years Dances, Fund Raisers)



## How to Obtain a Permit:

School facilities are available during the school year from September to June - Monday to Friday from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and on weekends as requested. Limited summer space is available during the month of July and up to the second Friday in August. School facilities are not available during the last two weeks of August, statutory holidays, Christmas break and March Break.

To reserve a School, complete a Permit Request Form. Forms are available online on the Board's Website, at the Permits Department, the main office reception desk at the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board or at the school's front office.

In order to serve you better, please be advised that processing time for a permit requests is a minimum of (2) weeks.

## Fees Schedule for Not-For Profit Groups:

<b>Administration Fee</b>	<b>Non-Refundable for all groups</b>
For Profit Youth (under 18)	\$45.00+ \$65.00 seasonal flat rate
Non Profit Groups	\$0.00
All other Groups	\$45.00

<b>Custodial Rates</b>	<b>Mon/Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Sun</b>
Custodial Fees per hour*	\$0	\$15	\$20
All Other Groups/hr	\$0	\$30	\$40

\*All Not-for-Profit Groups pay half the custodial rate for weekends and hours outside the regular custodial schedule.

## Community Groups

<b>Facility Rates</b>	<b>Non-Profit</b>	<b>All Other Groups</b>
Gymnasium/per gym	\$0	\$20/night
Classroom/per classroom	\$0	\$10/night
Cafeteria	\$0	\$20/night

## Corporate Groups

<b>Facility Rates</b>	<b>Non-Profit</b>	<b>All Other Groups</b>
Gymnasium/per gym/hr	\$0	\$25/hr/night
Classroom/per classroom/hr	\$0	\$10/hr/night
Cafeteria/hr	\$0	\$20/hr/night
Full day flat rates available		

\*GST Applies For All Fees\*

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