WAC 132Z-140-030 Priority of use. (1) When allocating use of college facilities, the highest priority is always given to activities specifically related to the college's mission. No arrangements will be made that may interfere with or operate to the detriment of the college's own teaching, research, or public service programs. In particular, college buildings, properties, and facilities, including those assigned to student programs, are used primarily for:

(a) The regularly established teaching, research, or public service activities of the college and its departments;

(b) Cultural, educational, or recreational activities of the students, faculty, or staff;

(c) Short courses, conferences, seminars, or similar events, conducted either in the public service or for the advancement of specific departmental professional interests, when arranged under the sponsorship of the college or its departments.

(d) Public events of a cultural or professional nature brought to the campus at the request of college departments or committees and presented with their active sponsorship and active participation;

(e) Activities or programs sponsored by educational institutions, by state or federal agencies, or by charitable agencies or civic or community organizations whose activities are of widespread public service and of a character appropriate to the college. However, the college will not make its facilities available for instructional or related purposes that compete with courses or programs offered by the college.

(2) College facilities may be assigned to student organizations for regular business meetings, social functions, and programs open to the public. Any recognized campus student organization may invite speakers from outside the college community, after following the facility use application procedures in WAC 132Z-140-100. The appearance of an invited speaker on campus does not represent an endorsement by the college, its faculty or administration, or the board of trustees of the speaker's views.

(3) Reasonable conditions may be imposed to regulate the timeliness of requests, to determine the appropriateness of space assigned and the time of use, and to ensure the proper maintenance of the facilities. Subject to the same limitations, college facilities shall be made available for assignment to individuals or groups within the college community. Arrangements by both organizations and individuals must be made through the designated administrative officer, consistent with the facility use application procedures in WAC 132Z-140-100. Allocation of space shall be made in accordance with college rules and on the basis of time, space, priority of request, and the demonstrated needs of the applicant.

(4) The college may restrict an individual's or a group's use of college facilities if that person or group has, in the past, physically abused facilities the individual or group has used. Charges may be imposed for damage or for any unusual costs for the use of facilities. The individual, group or organization requesting space will be required to state in advance the general purpose of any meeting.

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