



Facility Usage by Election Candidates

Carmichael Recreation and Park District resources and platforms should not be used, or perceived to be used, to support or campaign for any candidate, including incumbents running for re-election.

Guidelines:

- **Use of District Resources**
 - District funds, facilities, staff time, equipment, email accounts, and communication channels (including newsletters and social media) cannot be used to advocate for, promote, or assist any campaign or candidate.
- **Candidate Use of District Facilities & Rentals**
 - To maintain complete neutrality and adhere strictly to California public agency regulations:
 - **Standard Commercial Rates:** Elected officials, campaign committees, and political candidates may rent District facilities solely on a non-exclusive, standard fee-for-service basis under CRPD's published commercial rental rate schedule.
 - **Prohibition of In-Kind or Discounted Use:** No District facility, equipment, or staff resource may be provided to any political campaign or candidate for free, at discounted rates, or for non-monetary/other considerations.
 - **Equal Access & Neutrality:** Venue bookings are strictly subject to standard reservation procedures on a first-come, first-served basis, ensuring equal, non-discriminatory rental access to all candidates.
 - **Disclaimers:** Any third-party political event held at a rented District venue must prominently display disclaimers indicating that the event is a paid private rental and does not imply an endorsement or sponsorship by CRPD.
- **District-Sponsored Events & Opportunities**
 - To avoid any perception of impropriety or unfair advantage, there must be no mention of the election, candidacies, or campaign-related messaging during any CRPD-sponsored functions.
- **Equal Access**
 - Candidates running for office—whether incumbents or challengers—must not receive special access or promotional opportunities through District platforms that are not equally available to the general public.