

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO AND THE RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS FOR THE JOINT USE OF FACILITIES.

This Memorandum of Understanding is between the Village of Ruidoso hereafter referred to as the "Village" and Ruidoso Municipal Schools, hereinafter referred to as the "Schools". The MOU duration is for the 2025-2026 school year.

WHEREAS, the Village and the Schools have worked together to provide the best possible use of public space for youth of the community and other facilities for various programs and activities for all age groups; and

WHEREAS, the Village and Schools have cooperated in planning and jointly using facilities and grounds for the benefit of students and community members and continue to work to pool resources to meet continuous youth and community demands for more developmental and recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the partnership has effectively maximized the use of their respective facilities to meet community and student needs and desire to explore and create more opportunities by sharing facilities and grounds with efficiencies in cost and operations; and

WHEREAS, the development of recreational facilities and opportunities by the Village of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Municipal Schools will benefit the public good by increasing quality of life initiatives which will provide economic impacts as well as improved community relations, access, and control to facilities while better serving citizens of all ages.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this agreement is to:

1. Effectively and efficiently manage use of the Schools and Village facilities and grounds for the benefit of Ruidoso's youth and citizens.
2. Encourage joint use of their respective facilities and grounds and give priority usage to the Schools as agreed to by a quarterly review.
3. Establish procedures to encourage cooperative working relationships between the Village and the School personnel at all levels and to quickly resolve issues.
4. Encourage joint and cooperative ventures, including facility maintenance and development.
5. Regularly report the outcomes of joint use to School and Village personnel, elected officials and citizens.

Now therefore it is agreed:

1. For purpose of this agreement, facilities specifically include White Mountain Sports Complex, Gavilan Field, School House Park Tennis Courts, Horton Auxiliary Gym and Horton Stadium.
2. The Village shall be responsible for the maintenance of the White Mountain Recreation Complex and shall work with the Schools to not allow, suffer, or permit any site to be used or left in a condition of neglect, disrepair, disorder, litter, or general disarray. Unless otherwise agreed by both parties, the user entity shall be responsible for the pre and post occupancy preparations, which may include opening and closing and other conditions established by the Schools or the Village. All utilities shall be paid for by the Village of Ruidoso for the White Mountain Recreation Complex.
3. The Village shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Gavilan Field and shall work with the Schools to not allow, suffer, or permit any site to be used or left in a condition of neglect, disrepair, disorder, litter, or general disarray. The user of the field will be responsible for the condition after each event or activity. All Utilities associated with "water" and appearing on, or as part of a "water bill" shall be paid for by the Village. Electric will be paid for by the Schools.
4. The Village and the Schools shall keep in effect at all times insurance, and shall include the respective party as an additional insured.
5. The Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Director and Ruidoso Schools Activities Director shall be responsible for all scheduling and bookings of their own facilities covered by this agreement. Both entities, the Village and the Schools will share scheduling and scheduled information with the other entity. Ruidoso Schools athletics and activities shall have scheduling priority, including scheduling changes due to rescheduling of events and/or playoff(s) scheduling. Each participating youth (and adult) program shall be required to keep in effect at all times, liability insurance, and shall include both the Ruidoso Municipal Schools and Village of Ruidoso as an additional insured. It shall be the responsibility of the Parks Director/Activities Director (depending on facility ownership) to ensure that all required documentation, including Concussion Protocol, be adhered to and be submitted to the School's Activities Director prior to use of any School facility or property by any League or Organization.
6. Written requests to use any of the facilities or parks, outside the annual scheduling confirmation process, should be submitted to the Parks Director/Activities Director who will then communicate with the other Director. The appropriate entity's facility usage policies and procedures must be followed.

