

1 **Charlo School District**

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3 **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

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5 Lease-Purchase Agreement

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7 The trustees of a district can lease property with an option to purchase.

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9 Personal property -- the lease cannot be more than seven (7) years.

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11 Real property -- the lease cannot be more than fifteen (15) years.

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13 The terms of the lease must comply with 20-6-625, MCA. If real property is acquired, the
14 trustees shall comply with 20-6-603, MCA.

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16 The trustees of any district may lease buildings or land suitable for school purposes when it is
17 within the best interests of the district to lease the buildings or land from the county,
18 municipality, another district, or any person. The term of the lease may not be for more than
19 fifteen (15) years unless prior approval of the qualified electors of the district is obtained in the
20 manner prescribed by law for school elections, in which case the lease may be for a term
21 approved by the qualified electors, but not exceeding ninety-nine (99) years. Whenever the lease
22 is for a period of time that is longer than the current school fiscal year, the lease requirements for
23 the succeeding school fiscal years shall be an obligation of the final budgets for such years.

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26 Cross Reference: Policy 7251 Disposal of school district property without
27 a vote.

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30 Legal Reference: § 20-6-603, MCA Trustees' authority to acquire or dispose of
31 sites and buildings – when election required.
32 § 20-6-609, MCA Trustees' authority to acquire property by
33 lease-purchase agreement.
34 § 20-6-625, MCA Authorization to lease buildings or land for
35 school purposes.

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