

Public Solicitations In The Schools

There shall be no solicitation of funds nor access to students and staff by individuals, organizations, merchants, suppliers or vendors whose primary purpose is commercial without prior approval of the superintendent.

No principal or teacher shall permit any collection of money from school personnel in any school or allow a drive for any purpose except upon written permission of the superintendent or designee.

No student shall be solicited by any district personnel to subscribe to the funds or to work for any organization not directly under the control of school authorities or be charged for any entertainment put on within the school during school hours. The soliciting of money or the accepting of donations from students for purposes other than school activities shall be prohibited. The only exceptions to this policy shall be individual or class pictures and senior class rings.

The Board recognizes that materials sent home by the school are generally one of two types:

1. Materials which inform parents and/or students of opportunities offered by non-sectarian, nonprofit making organizations which benefit the parents and/or students. Such groups might include the YMCA, scouting groups, recreational organizations, etc.
2. Materials which seemingly benefit the parents and/or students but are from profit-making organizations. These materials might include free or reduced price tickets from amusement places, school picture information, student insurance information, etc.

In order to be approved for distribution, such items must meet all of the following criteria:

1. They must enhance the educational program or the recreational opportunities available to district residents.
2. They must be of such a nature that individual parents and/or students have the option of participation or non-participation.
3. They must be from groups or organizations that do not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, religion or disability. Such organizations as the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, Blue Birds, Campfire Girls, Cub Scouts, YMCA, YWCA, etc. are not construed to discriminate because of sex.

4. They must have been approved for distribution by the superintendent or designee in accordance with the criteria specified herein.

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