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7.18 - Fund-raising for School Projects and Activities

POLICY:

All fund-raising projects and activities by schools or groups within the school shall contribute to the educational and extracurricular experiences of students and shall not be in conflict with the overall instructional program as administered by the Superintendent

1. Money derived from any school fund-raising project or activity shall be deposited in the school's internal funds account and shall be disbursed as prescribed by School Board Rules and State Board of Education Rules.
2. Each school shall continuously evaluate its fund-raising projects and extracurricular activities of the school program, the promotion of education experiences, the time involved for students and teachers, and the additional demands made on the school community.
3. The determination of the fund-raising projects and activities for a school shall be the principal and the staff's responsibility and shall conform to the following conditions and any directives by the Superintendent.
 - a. Fund-raising activities and projects within all schools shall be kept within a reasonable limit. Before approving any project or activity, the principal shall require full justification of the need and explanation of the manner in which the funds will be expended.
 1. Online fundraising activities include social media and other internet campaigns and should have prior approval by the principal.
 2. Crowdfunding campaigns should not be started by the employee and should only be used as a fundraising activity by the school with the Finance Department's prior approval.
 - b. Merchandising projects shall be kept to a minimum.
 - c. Donated materials, furniture, or equipment, and/or those purchased through fundraisers or teacher grants, belong to the school at which the teacher is employed and shall remain with the school. If the teacher changes schools within the district, it is the principal's discretion if the materials can move with the teacher.
 1. Any materials, furniture or equipment purchased or donated should be treated as district property and are subject to purchasing and inventory procedures.

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4. A parent-teacher association or any other organizations connected with the school may sponsor fund-raising activities provided school work and time are not adversely affected. Such activities shall be conducted in accordance with School Board Rules. Unlawful activity shall be prohibited by any school group or on School Board property.
5. Raffles and other activities of chance shall not be conducted for school related activities. Students may not sell any other item on the school grounds without first having the principal's approval.
6. Individuals and business agencies shall not be subject to excessive annoyances from the solicitation of funds by school groups or school personnel. The solicitation of funds away from school shall require the Superintendent or designee's approval. When possible, all necessary money shall be raised for school needs without recourse to any solicitation away from the school.

The Superintendent shall approve a solicitation activity only when funds cannot be raised otherwise. This Rule does not preclude private or volunteer contributions for athletic or other purposes.

7. Food and beverage services which are available to students shall be provided only during the school day by the food and nutrition service program. Provided, however, school organizations approved by the School Board shall be permitted to sell food and beverage items to students in secondary schools even though the sale of such items is in competition with the food and nutrition service program.
 - a. School organizations are authorized to conduct the sale of food and beverage items only one (1) hour following the close of the last lunch period.
 - b. Food sold by school organizations shall comply with the provisions of State Board of Education Rule 6A-7.042.

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