

BUSINESS

Gifts, Grants And Bequests:

The Board of Education authorizes the superintendent/designee to accept with appreciation, gifts from individuals or groups not exceeding an approximate value of \$10,000. Gifts valued in excess of that amount and gifts of lesser value which predictably would require significant Board of Education expenditures for their assumption, maintenance or installation, require approval by the Board of Education prior to their acceptance. All gifts to schools or the school system, no matter their value, shall be accepted in accordance with ~~the following principles~~ the administrative regulations of this policy.

The school principal may approve gifts to a school that are valued at \$500 or under and meet criteria established by the administrative regulations established in accordance with this policy. The Superintendent of Schools must accept gifts that are valued over \$500 and meet criteria established by the administrative regulations established in accordance with this policy.

The Superintendent, in consultation with the principals and considering the wishes of the donor, may determine the school(s), program(s) or facility(ies) to which the gift shall go if it is valued at more than \$500. The Superintendent shall inform the Board of Education of all gifts that have been accepted by the district.

If the Superintendent determines that a gift fails to meet the criteria established in the administrative regulations, the Superintendent shall inform the Board of Education. Any gift rejected by the Board of Education shall be returned to the donor or the donor's estate, with a statement indicating the reason for the rejection of such gift.

- ~~1. No gift or scholarship, which in the judgement of the superintendent or the Board of Education represents special interests prejudicial to any group, or is inappropriate, to use by the schools will be accepted.~~
- ~~2. Gifts accepted for the school system become the property of the Board of Education, to be expended or used at its discretion; however, every effort shall be made to honor the special request of donors.~~
- ~~3. No gift shall be accepted without verification that there are no encumbrances against said gift.~~
- ~~4. Gifts will not supplant Board of Education responsibility for educational funding, nor shall outside funding produce major educational inequities among schools.~~
- ~~5. All gifts accepted by the superintendent designee, other than those of nominal value, shall be reported to the Board of Education at the first meeting following the receipt of such gift.~~

Legal Reference: ~~Connecticut General Statutes 7-194 Powers~~ [Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-237](#)

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