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702.1 CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to authorize the use of a credit card by a school district employee otherwise authorized to make a purchase on behalf of the school district.

A. Unauthorized Credit Card Purchases:

1. If a school district employee makes or directs a purchase by credit card that is not approved by the school district or the school district's designee the employee is personally liable for the amount of the purchase. A purchase by credit card must otherwise comply with all statutes, rules or school district policy applicable to school district purchases.

B. Authorized Credit Card Purchases:

- 1. Credit card purchases where the vendor does not accept and will not provide a customer account and billing process for the school district. Examples are: authorized online purchases, fuel for the operation of school district vehicles and authorized travel and education.
- 2. The superintendent, or superintendent's designee will authorize the opening, use and distribution of credit cards. The business office will maintain a listing of credit card accounts and a listing of personnel authorized to purchase with the respective credit cards. All credit cards will be kept in a secure place when not in use.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. § 412.271, subd. 2 and 471.38