FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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Purchasing Miscellaneous Procurement Standards

Procurement Generally

When making purchases with federal funds, the District will follow its procurement policies and procedures which reflect applicable State and local laws and regulations, provided that the procurement practice also conforms to applicable Federal law and the standards identified in applicable federal regulations. See Policies 7410, 7408, and 7420 (we do not have these policies).

Authorization and Control

It is the policy of this District to conduct its purchasing program in a manner to ensure optimum use of District funds. The Board, or its designee, reserves the right to determine what is in the best interest of the District.

The Superintendent is authorized to direct expenditures and purchases within the limits of the detailed annual budget for the school year and pursuant to State purchasing and federal procurement requirements. Board approval for purchase of capital outlay items is required when the aggregate total of a requisition exceeds \$10,000, except the Superintendent shall have the authority to make capital outlay purchases without advance approval when it is necessary to protect the interests of the District or the health and safety of the staff or students. The Superintendent shall establish requisition and purchase order procedures as a means of controlling and maintaining proper accounting of the expenditure of funds that align with State purchasing and federal procurement requirements. Staff members shall not obligate the District without express authority. Staff members who obligate the District without proper authorization may be held personally responsible for payment of such obligations.

Micro-Purchase Procedures

Notwithstanding the process for Superintendent-approved purchases outlined in Policy 7405P, when using federal funds the Superintendent or designee may purchase supplies or services using simplified acquisition procedures when making aggregate purchases of \$3,000 or less, and when making such purchases shall otherwise comply with all applicable District purchase order procedures.

Simplified Acquisition Procedures

When procuring goods or services, whether with federal or state funds, the District shall comply with all requirements and procedures set forth at District Policies 7410, 7408, and 7420 and in applicable Idaho law. For purchases less than the federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently \$150,000), the Board may adopt small purchase procedures which do not otherwise conflict with District Policies 7410, 7408, and 7420 or applicable Idaho law. Absent such Policy, all purchases for amounts less than the simplified Acquisition Threshold, shall comply with the requirements and procedures set forth at District Policies 7410, 7408, and 7420 and in applicable Idaho law.

Cooperative Purchasing

The District may cooperatively enter into contracts with one or more districts to purchase materials necessary or desirable for the conduct of the business of the District provided that the purchasing cooperative follows state purchasing and federal procurement requirements.

Bids and Contracts

With the exception of the purchase of curricular materials, and in accordance with the requirements of Idaho Code, whenever the cost of any construction, repair, or improvement; or the acquisition, purchase, or repair of any equipment; or other personal property necessary for the effective operation of the District exceeds \$50,000 but does not exceed \$10,000, bids shall be called for by issuing written request to at least three vendors as specified in statute as well as following federal procurement requirements. Specifications shall be prepared and be made available to all vendors interested in submitting a bid. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, except that the Board may reject any bid, reject all bids, or publish notice to rebid the project. If after calling for bids a second time, no satisfactory bid is received, the Board may proceed under its own direction, subject to the approval of the State Board of Education.

The Superintendent shall establish bidding and contract awarding procedures that align with State purchasing and federal procurement requirements.

Personnel Conflicts of Interest

No employee will make any purchase or incur any obligations for or on behalf of the District from any private business, contractor, or vendor in which or with which the employee has a direct or indirect financial or ownership interest.

Purchases or contracted services from any private business or venture in which any employee of this District has a direct or indirect financial or ownership interest will be made on a competitive bid basis strictly in accordance with the following procedures:

- 1. The interested employee, the business, the contractor, or the vendor will fully disclose, in writing, the employee's exact relationship to the business, the contractor, or the vendor;
- 2. The affected business, the contractor, or the vendor may submit a bid in compliance with the specifications outlined by the District;
- 3. The interested employee will not be involved in any part of <u>the</u> bidding process, including but not limited to, preparing specifications, advertising, analyzing, or accepting bids; and
- 4. This policy will apply to any organization, fund, agency, or other activity maintained or operated by the District.

No employee will solicit gifts, gratuities, favors, prizes, awards, merchandise, or commissions as a result of ordering any items or as a result of placing any purchase order with a business, contractor, or vendor on behalf of the District nor accept anything of monetary value from a business, contractor, or vendor except for unsolicited gifts of \$50 or less in value.

Violations

Any District officer, employee, or agent who violates this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to a fine, suspension, or termination. Violations of law shall be referred to the local, State, or federal authority having proper jurisdiction.

(Policies we do NOT have are listed in red) Cross Reference: 7218 Federal Grant Financial Management System 7235 Fiscal Accountability and IDEA Part B Funds Retention of Records Relating to Federal Grants 7237 Allowable Uses for Grant Funds 7320 7320P1 Determining Necessity and Reasonableness of Expenses 7400P1 Procurement Under a Federal Award Public Works Contracting and Procurement (policy in process) 7405 7407 Public Procurement of Goods and Services 7408 Entering into Professional Service Contracts with Design Professionals, Construction Managers, and Professional Land Surveyors--The Request for Qualifications Procedure **Petty Cash Funds** 7410 Personal Reimbursement 7420

Legal Reference:	I.C. § 18-1351	Bribery and Corrupt Practices – Definitions
	I.C. § 33-316	Cooperative Contracts to Employ Specialized
		Personnel and/or Purchase Materials
	I.C. § 33-402	Notice Requirements
-	I.C. § 33-601	Real and Personal Property Acquisition, Use or
		Disposal of Same.
	I.C. § 74-401 et seq.	Ethics in Government
	2 C.F.R. § 200.67	Micropurchase
	2 C.F.R. § 200.88	Simplified Acquisition Threshold
	2 C.F.R. § 200.317	Procurement by States
	2 C.F.R. § 200.318	General Procurement Standards
	2 C.F.R. § 200.320	Methods of Procurement to be Followed

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