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STUDENT FUND RAISING

The Board of Education acknowledges that the solicitation of funds from students must be limited since compulsory attendance laws make the student a captive donor and may also disrupt the program of the schools.

For purposes of this policy "student fund raising" shall include the solicitation and collection of money from students for any purpose and shall include the collection of money in exchange for tickets, papers, or any other goods or services for approved student activities. "Student fund-raising" also includes giving away goods or services, but suggesting a monetary donation.

The Board will permit student fund raising by students in school, on school property, or at any school-sponsored event only when the profit therefrom is to be used for school purposes or for an activity connected with the schools.

Fund raising by approved school organizations, those whose funds are managed by the District, may be permitted in school <u>if approved</u> by the principal. Such fund raising <u>that occurs</u> off school grounds may be permitted by the Superintendent.

For any fund-raisers, including those operated by student clubs and organizations, parent groups, or boosters clubs, that involve the sale of food items and/or beverages to students that will be consumed on the school campus (any area of property under the jurisdiction of the school that is accessible to students during the school day) during the school day (the period from the midnight before, to thirty (30) minutes after the end of the official school day), the food items and/or beverages to be sold shall comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the USDA Smart Snacks in Schools nutrition standards, and also be consistent with requirements set forth in Policy 8500 - Food Services. Further, there shall be no exemptions from the standards for competitive foods in any of the District's schools.

Fund raising by students on behalf of <u>those</u> school-related organizations <u>and</u> <u>District support organizations</u>, whose funds are not managed by the District, may be permitted on <u>or off</u> school grounds by the Superintendent.

All other fund raising by school-related organizations and District support organizations, both those whose funds are managed by the Fiscal Officer and those whose funds are not managed by the Fiscal Officer, shall be done in accordance with Board Policy 9211 and Policy 9700.

The Superintendent shall establish administrative guidelines for the solicitation of funds which that shall:

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- A. specify the times and places in which funds may be collected;
- B. describe permitted methods of solicitation which do not place undue pressure on students;
- C. limit the kind and amount of advertising for solicitation;
- D. <u>ensure proper require that the Board approve the</u> distribution or liquidation of monies remaining in a student activity account when the organization is defunct or disbanded.

Advisors for approved school organizations shall not accept any form of compensation from vendors that might influence their selection on a vendor that will provide a fund-raising activity or a product that will be sold as a fund-raiser. Furthermore, advisors for approved school organizations shall not accept any compensation from a vendor after a decision has been made regarding a fund-raising activity or a product that will be sold as a fund-raiser. In addition, advisors for approved school organizations who make the selection of a vendor that will provide a fund-raising activity or a product that will be sold as a fund-raiser shall not enter into a contractual arrangement whereby an advisor receives compensation in any form from the vendor that provides a fund-raising activity or a product that will be sold as a fund-raising activity or a product that whereby an advisor receives compensation in any form from the vendor that provides a fund-raising activity or a product that will be sold as a fund-raiser.

The Superintendent shall distribute this policy and the rules which implement it to each organization granted permission to solicit funds.

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