

This policy replaces the existing policy 638: IDLA Fee Policy. This policy reflects the most recent Idaho case law regarding student fees and addresses when fees can and can't be assessed. Included is a copy of the West Ada School District's guidelines for student fees, which this office assisted in developing and which the School District has indicated may be shared with other Idaho school districts.

The Board of Trustees is charged with providing a "general, uniform and through system of public, free common schools." Student fees will only be assessed as allowed by law.

CLASS FEES

Where a class is offered as part of the regular academic courses of this district, it will be offered without charge. Students may be required to provide their own consumables and may be charged for extraordinary wear and tear, damage, breakage, or loss of school-issued materials.

The administration may establish guidelines identifying when student fees may be charged as provided by law.

IDAHO DIGITAL LEARNING ACADEMY FEES

The district will pay the course fee for each student enrolled in Idaho Digital Learning Academy (IDLA) courses, if the course is part of the student's full-time enrollment **and the course is not offered in the regular schedule**. The district may require a student to pay a course fee if a student enrolls in additional courses beyond full-time enrollment, or a student elects to participate in summer school courses.

The district may make students/parents responsible for any fees charged by colleges or universities to receive college credit for dual credit courses. Additionally, the district may make students/parents responsible for any fees that may be charged by the College Board to take an advanced placement exam. In the event advanced placement and dual credit courses require additional textbooks and/or course materials, the student/parent may be responsible for payment for those additional textbooks and/or course materials.

The District will work with in the guidelines IC 33-4601 relating to Advanced Opportunities.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Extracurricular activities are outside of or in addition to the regular academic courses or curriculum of this district. Extracurricular activities are a privilege and are not considered a property, liberty or contract right of any student, and are not deemed a necessary element of a public school education. Students may be charged for extracurricular activities in which they voluntarily participate.



LEGAL REFERENCE:

Idaho Code Section 33-302 – Classification of school districts
Idaho Code Section 33-512(12) – Governance of Schools
Idaho Code Section 33-603 – Payment of fees or returning of property
Idaho Code Section 33-5505(3) – Definitions
Idaho Code Section 33-5508 – Funding
IDLA Fees Policy Statement
Paulson v. Minidoka Cnty. Sch. Dist. No. 331, 93 Idaho 469, 463 P.2d 935 (1970)
Joki v. The State of Idaho, et al., Case No. CV OC 2012 17745 (4th District, 11/17/15)
Idaho Constitution, Art. 9, Sec. 1
1985 State of Idaho: Guidelines for Charges of Student Fees

ADOPTED:

AMENDED:

FIRST READING:

**Language in text set forth in italics is optional.*