

FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES

The Board of Education is committed to providing students a learning environment that is free from pressure to make charitable donations and/or raise funds. Under no circumstances, should students be pressured, compelled or feel obligated to raise funds and/or to make a donation. To this end, the Board of Education does not permit the **direct** solicitation of charitable funds or goods from students on school property during school hours.

Strictly prohibited on school grounds or *at any events attended by students* is the selling of tickets connected to games of chance, 50/50 raffles, or betting on any sports event or games.

Student Fund-raising

Notwithstanding the above, the Board of Education recognizes that there are times when student involvement in the organizing and implementation of a fund-raising drive serves as a valuable learning and civic opportunity. Student participation in any fund-raising activity must be voluntary and no student should ever suffer or perceive that he/she is suffering any consequences for non-participation.

The following fund-raising activities may be permitted upon the prior approval of the Building Principal or his/her designee:

1. Sale or exchange of goods, or tickets for social, musical, theatrical or athletic events where the proceeds go to charity or to support school activities or clubs.
2. Passive forms of charitable solicitation such as a bin or collection box in a hallway or common area for donation of food, clothing, money, or other goods.
3. In-school planning and recruitment for a fund-raising activity done through a school organization which will take place outside of regular school hours or off school premises. School personnel may distribute flyers or other literature, put up posters or otherwise notify students of out-of-school fund-raising activities. However, school personnel may not act as a conduit and collect funds from students on behalf of a charity for which they recruited, even though the funds were raised by students off school property and not during school hours.

Fund-raising is only permitted by school-based organizations and initiatives. Fundraising by individuals is not permitted.

Faculty/Staff Fund-raising:

Any fund-raising for the purpose of purchasing classroom supplies, materials, equipment, and/or books must be preauthorized by Building Principal or his/her designee, whether the fund-raising takes place on or off campus including online fund-raising activities.

As students have the right to an environment free from the pressure of making donations, staff have the right to a workplace in which they are not regularly pressured to make donations. As a result, solicitation of staff during the school day for charitable endeavors is discouraged.