

SOLICITING FUNDS FROM AND BY STUDENTS

All schools shall earnestly seek to educate pupils in the services performed by the humanitarian agencies and shall encourage pupils to participate in their financial support as a social and community project. Soliciting funds in the schools by outside groups from students for any cause is not allowed.

The school committee believes that reasonable control must be exercised over student distribution of non-school materials, solicitation of funds, or operation of sales campaigns to finance school activities.

All proposed fund raising activities which involve school-sponsored organizations or the use of school-owned materials/property must be approved in advance by the superintendent. The superintendent may approve only those activities which lead to educational and social benefits for pupils. Requests to the superintendent shall be in writing, shall be endorsed by the group advisor and the building principal, and shall specify the use of any proceeds from the activity.

The superintendent shall exercise discretion in approving requests and may impose reasonable limitations to ensure that the frequency of these activities will not have a negative impact on the relationship between the schools and the community.

The advisor of a group may appeal the superintendent's decision to the School Committee.

A list of all approved fund raising activities will be maintained in the Superintendent's Office.

The school committee encourages student fund raising which develops aspirations, teaches that rewards can be earned through work, and bolsters self-esteem in accomplishing a goal.

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