

Business and Non-Instructional Operations

Gifts, Grants and Bequests

The Board of Education may accept any bequest or gift of money or property on behalf of the District. While greatly appreciating suitable donations, the Board discourages any gifts which may directly or indirectly impair its commitment to providing equal educational opportunities for all District students. (cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

Before accepting a gift, the Board shall consider whether the gift:

1. Has a purpose consistent with the District's vision and philosophy. (cf. 0100 - Philosophy)
2. Does not add to staff load.
3. Does not begin a program which the Board would be unwilling to continue when the donated funds are exhausted.
4. Does not entail undesirable or hidden costs.
5. Places no restrictions on the school program.
6. Would not be inappropriate or harmful to the best education of students.
7. Does not imply endorsement of any business or product. (cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)
8. Does not conflict with any provision of the school code or public law.

The Board shall evaluate any conditions or restrictions imposed by the donor in light of District philosophy and operations. If the Board feels the District will be unable to fully satisfy the donor's conditions, the gift shall not be accepted.

Gift books and instructional materials shall be accepted only if they meet regular District criteria. (cf. 6161.1 - Procedures and Criteria for Selection and Evaluation)

All gifts, grants and bequests shall become school District property. Donors are encouraged to donate all gifts to the District rather than to a particular school. A gift may be used at a particular school at the Superintendent's or designee's discretion.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 1834 Acquisition of materials and apparatus
- 35162 Power to sue, be sued, hold and convey property
- 41030 School District may invest surplus monies from bequest or gifts
- 41031 Special fund or account in county treasury
- 41032 Authority of school board to accept gift or bequest; investments; gift of land requirements
- 41035 Advisory committee
- 41036 Function of advisory committee
- 41037 Rules and regulations

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