

## Students

**SUBJECT: FUND RAISING BY STUDENTS**

Fund raising projects in which students sell merchandise, provide services, or in other ways solicit money for school activities may be sponsored by school organizations with the express approval of the building principal. Any such plan shall have a clearly defined purpose and, in general, shall contribute to the educational experience of students and shall not conflict with instructional programs or state mandates. Fund raising activities away from school property shall be held to a minimum.

Parent-teacher committees or faculty-student committees will work in full cooperation with, and under the supervision of, the principal in planning any special programs or in conducting any activity which involves the raising of money.

Fund raising shall be used to enhance school programs by providing money for expenditures not normally funded by the District. Educational rewards may be awarded to classrooms. The solicitation of monies for outside agencies is prohibited.

All participation shall be voluntary, with appropriate parent/legal guardian notification.

Employees are cautioned against giving the impression to students that the purpose of selling items (e.g., "scratch off" cards, holiday wrappings, etc.) or paying a fee is to defray a portion of the District's educational program. At no time should a student's participation in an educational activity include collecting such sales or fees. These activities may jeopardize a student's right to participate in the educational program on a tuition and/or fee-free basis. Further, employees engaged in such activities may be held personally liable. In addition, employees shall not deposit the proceeds of any legitimate sales activity in their own personal accounts.

Also, refer to Policy #3261 -- Solicitation of Charitable Donations From School Children.

8 New York Code of Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Section 19.6  
New York State Constitution, Article VIII, Section 1  
Education Law Section 414

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