

## **Acceptance of Financial Support for School Program**

The Board of Education believes all district residents should bear the cost of educational programs. However, in times of financial crisis, specific programs will be eliminated from the school's budgeted expenditures.

The board recognizes that special interest groups may wish to financially support a program that has been eliminated.

If a special interest group wishes to support a specific program that has been eliminated by the board, it may petition the board to accept financial support.

The following guidelines are established.

1. The special interest group shall request to be placed on the regular board meeting agenda at least one week in advance of the meeting.
2. The board will determine acceptance or rejection of financial support in each individual case without setting precedent or establishing past practices.
3. The board will accept only financial support for the program and will not, in most cases, accept volunteer services in lieu of financial support.
4. Any special interest group wishing to support a boys program must also support an equal opportunity for girls and vice versa. Compliance with Title IX laws is mandatory.
5. The special interest group that wishes to support a program financially must support the entire program. This includes cost of employees, equipment, materials, facilities, custodial cost and transportation cost.
6. The board retains the right and responsibility of running the program, including scheduling events and practices, hiring and dismissing employees, selecting and ordering equipment, cleaning and maintenance of facilities and any other aspect of the school district operation directly and indirectly affecting the program.
7. The financial contribution must be offered in its entirety and not a portion or down payment. The board cannot accept financial responsibility for unbudgeted items.

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