INDEPENDENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENT AND SCHOOL GROUP FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

The District recognizes the important role of fundraising because it provides additional, significant revenues for many opportunities, equipment or educational experiences that would not otherwise be possible. In fairness to all school groups and the community supporting such fundraising, the District deems that some management and oversight of student and school group fundraising will be beneficial for all.

The District wishes to encourage those fundraising activities that are initiated and carried out by students (and/or their parents/guardians). Student and school group fundraising shall be in accordance with state law requirements and the following policy guidelines.

Fundraising should not compromise the basic educational mission of the District.

Minors ten and under or each group containing one or more minors ten and under shall be physically accompanied by a parent or someone at least sixteen years of age if soliciting in the community.

Student or family participation in any fundraising activity shall be strictly voluntary. Any communication with membership doing the fundraising must clearly state that participation is voluntary.

Fundraising activities for all student and school groups must be registered with and approved by the building principal and the Superintendent of Schools at least two weeks in advance of the activity. These approved fundraising activities will then be registered on a District-wide calendar. Over time, the calendar will help student and school groups plan the best times for their activities so they do not conflict with other fundraising efforts. It is understood that the calendar is subject to change and revision.

Building principals may disallow any inappropriate participant incentives or rewards.

Consideration should be given to choosing products for sale that do not undermine or unduly complete with merchants in the local business community. Also, whenever possible the group fundraising should consider products offered by local merchants or businesses.

Within two weeks of the conclusion of fundraising, a brief report is to be filed with the building principal or designee by the advisor/chairperson of the student or school group.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 103.23 Wisconsin Statutes

118.12 120.44(1)

Chapter 440., Subchapter III

CROSS REF.: 374-Exhibit, Fundraising Request and Report

352 Field Trips

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