

STUDENT FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES

A. Fund Drives by School Groups

Fund drives and materials drives should be conducted only when there is some educational benefit for the student. The administration should approve and schedule these activities so as to eliminate the possibility of many drives being conducted simultaneously.

Any fund drive must be sponsored by the district, or a district-related organization such as the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), Family School Organization (FSO), or the Community Student Organization (CSO).

Funds raised through district-sponsored activities must be deposited and accounted for in the extracurricular fund of the appropriate school. Accounting for funds raised by school-related groups is the responsibility of that group.

Fund drives sponsored by the district requiring door-to-door solicitation should be kept to a minimum and approved by the Superintendent of Schools in advance. Such drives should include a training program for the solicitors. The Board of Education will be notified by the Superintendent prior to the fund drive.

B. Fund Drives by Private Groups

Private fund-raising by groups within the City School District reflect on not only the individual groups involved, but also on the school district as a whole. In view of this, the following guidelines must be followed by outside groups to ensure Board acceptance of the proceeds from the fund drive:

1. Strict attention must be given to any and all fund-raising proposals so that they properly represent both the excellence and the reputation of the entire City School System.
2. Individual schools within the district enjoy a certain level of independence. However, there should be an awareness that they are members of a district-wide system and share common overall goals. Private fund-raising, therefore, should reflect the priority needs of the entire district.
3. The Board has a continuing responsibility to ensure that all such projects meet ethical and legal standards and that they fairly and accurately reflect the educational philosophy of the Plattsburgh City School District.
4. Private fund-raising projects will be authorized only if, in the opinion of the Board, no other more appropriate source of funding is available.
5. Any and all individuals or groups seeking to raise funds for any purpose within the City School District must present a written proposal to the Superintendent and the Board for review and authorization prior to the fund drive activity.

Posting of Advertising in the Schools

Posting of advertising is prohibited within the schools except if the administration believes that such advertising is for the benefit of a student organization or the general student body, and has greater benefit for the students than for the commercial enterprise.

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