5830 - STUDENT FUNDRAISING

The School Board acknowledges that the solicitation of funds by or from students must be limited since compulsory attendance laws make the student a captive donor and may also disrupt the program of the schools.

For purposes of this policy "student fundraising" shall include the solicitation and collection of money by or from students for any purpose and shall include the collection of money in exchange for tickets, papers, or any other goods or services for approved student activities.

The Board will permit student fundraising by students in school, on school property, or at any school-sponsored event only when the profit therefrom is to be used for school purposes or for an activity connected with the schools. The Board requires that for any fundraiser by student clubs and organizations, as well as by School Corporation-support organizations, which involve the sale to students of food items and/or beverages to be consumed on campus, the food and/or beverage items to be sold comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Further, if approved, fundraisers that involve the sale to students of food items or beverages to be consumed on campus are conducted only from thirty (30) minutes following the close of the last lunch period until thirty (30) minutes after the end of the school day.

Fundraising by approved school organizations, that is, those organizations whose funds are managed by the Corporation, may be permitted in school by the principal. Such fundraising off school grounds may be permitted by the principal.

Fundraising by students on behalf of school-related organizations whose funds are not managed by the Corporation may be permitted on school grounds by the principal.

The Board will permit fundraising that involves any games of chance, such as bingo games, charity game nights, raffles, door prizes, fundraising festivals, activities related to pull tabs, punch-boards, tip-boards, and the like. However, any fundraiser involving games of chance must comply with Indiana law, including obtaining the appropriate license or permits.

Involvement of students under the age of eighteen (18) in fundraisers involving games of chance is limited as follows:

In compliance with I.C. 4-32.2-5-21 and this policy, no student under the age of eighteen (18) may play, participate in, or sell tickets for any of the following types of fundraising events - bingo games, charity game nights, raffles, door prizes, fundraising festivals, activities related to pull tabs, punch-boards, tip-boards, and the like. Students, even those under eighteen (18) years of age, may sell tickets or chances for a raffle. However, any fundraiser involving games of chance must comply with Indiana law, including obtaining the appropriate license or permits.

Use of the name, logo, or any assets of the Corporation, including but not limited to facilities, technology, or communication networks, is prohibited without the specific permission of the Superintendent.

Crowdfunding activities aimed at raising funds for a specific classroom or school activity, including extracurricular activity, or to obtain supplemental resources (e.g., supplies or equipment) that are not required to
provide a free appropriate public education to any students in the classroom may be permitted, but only with the specific approval of the Superintendent.

All crowdfunding activities are subject to Policy 6605 and any administrative guidelines approved by the Superintendent to implement Policy 6605.

All other fundraising by Corporation support organizations shall be done in accordance with Policy 9211 and Policy 9700.

The Superintendent shall establish administrative guidelines for the solicitation of funds which shall:

A. specify the times and places in which funds may be collected;

B. describe permitted methods of solicitation which do not place undue pressure on students and require that for any fundraisers by approved school organizations which involve the sale to students of food items and/or beverages to be consumed on campus, the food and/or beverage items to be sold comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans, as stipulated by this policy;

C. limit the kind and amount of advertising for solicitation;

D. ensure proper distribution or liquidation of monies remaining in a student activity account when the organization is defunct or disbanded;

E. ensure proper supervision of students during such activity.

The Superintendent shall distribute this policy and the guidelines that implement it to each organization granted permission to solicit funds.

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