

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Springfield, New Jersey 07081

POLICY: FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES

The Board of Education recognizes the value of having pupils participate in fund-raising activities, both as individuals and as groups, in order to help defray the cost of certain noncurricular field trips, or other worthwhile programs, or in support of a Board-approved charitable cause.

For purposes of this policy, "pupil fund raising" shall include the solicitation and collection of money from pupils for any purpose and shall include the collection of money in exchange for tickets, papers or any other goods or services except those goods and services which are part of a Board-approved program of the schools.

The Board prohibits the collection of money in school or on school property or at any school-sponsored event by a pupil for personal benefit. The principal shall approve collection of money by school organizations approved by the Board. The Chief School Administrator shall approve collections by organizations outside the schools or by pupils on behalf of such organizations.

The Board shall not be responsible for the protection of or the accounting of funds collected from pupils by organizations outside the schools, by teaching staff members when not required to collect money for a Board-approved purpose, and by school-connected organizations. Funds raised by school-sponsored activities shall be deposited in the proper district accounts.

The Board prohibits fundraising activities by school-sponsored groups or outside organizations that encourage or require door-to-door solicitation.

Legal References:

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties

N.J.S.A. 18A:19-14 Funds derived from pupil activities

N.J.S.A. 18A:20-3 Use of schoolhouse and grounds for various purposes

N.J.S.A. 18A:23-1 Audit when and how made

N.J.S.A. 18A:23-2 Scope of audit

N.J.S.A. 18A:54-2 Powers of board (county vocational schools)

N.J.S.A. 52:14-15.9c1. et al. Public Employee Charitable Fund-Raising Act

N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.1et seq. Double Entry Bookkeeping and GAAP Accounting in Local School Districts

N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.14 Student activity funds

N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.15 School store business practices

Selfridge v. Kinnelon Board of Education, 1977 S.L.D. 522

Cross References:

1140 Distribution of materials by pupils and staff

1230 School-connected organizations

1330 Use of school facilities

3400 Accounts

3450 Money in school buildings

3453 School activity funds

3571.4 Audit

6145 Extracurricular activities

6153 Field trips

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