

BUSINESS AND NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

GIFTS, GRANTS AND BEQUESTS

The Governing Board may accept any bequest or gift of money or property on behalf of the District. While greatly appreciating suitable donations, the Board discourages any gifts which may directly or indirectly impair its commitment to providing equal educational opportunities for all District students.

To be acceptable, a gift must satisfy the following criteria:

1. Not add to staff load.
2. Not begin a program which the Board may be unwilling to continue when the donated funds are exhausted.
3. Not entail undesirable or hidden costs, including repair or maintenance costs.
4. Place no restrictions on the school program.
5. Not be inappropriate or harmful to the best education of students.
6. Not imply endorsement of any business or product.
7. Not conflict with any provision of District policy or public law.
8. Have a purpose consistent with District goals and policies.

Gift books and instructional materials shall be accepted only if they meet regular District criteria.

All gifts, grants and bequests shall become District property. All gifts shall be given to the District, and not to a particular school. At the Superintendent's discretion, a gift may be used at a particular school.

Use of the gift shall not be impaired by restrictions or conditions imposed by the donor. The District shall not be responsible for determining the value of any gift donated to the District. Upon request, the District will provide the donor with a letter verifying the donation and setting forth the value as set by the donor.

The Board will try to follow the donor's wishes insofar as they do not conflict with District philosophy or operations.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1834 Acquisition of materials and apparatus

35162 Power to sue, be sued, hold and convey property

41030 School district may invest surplus monies from bequest or gifts

41031 Special fund or account in county treasury

41032 Authority of school board to accept gift or bequest; investments; gift of land requirements

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