

SOLICITATION OF FUNDS FROM AND BY STUDENTS

Solicitations on Behalf of Charitable Organizations

The Governing Board recognizes that participation in fund-raising for nonprofit, nonpartisan charitable organizations can help students develop a sense of social responsibility.

When approved in advance by the Board, funds may be solicited or materials distributed for those nonprofit, nonpartisan organizations that are properly chartered or licensed by state or federal law. (Education Code 51520)

Solicitations on Behalf of the School

With the approval of the site principal, official school-related organizations may organize fund-raising events involving students.

(cf. 1230 – School-Connected Organizations)

The principal shall ensure that parents/guardians are informed of the purpose of all fund-raisers benefiting the school or school groups. After the fund-raiser is held, parents/guardians shall be told how much money was raised and how it was spent.

All Solicitations

Whether solicitations are made on behalf of the school or on behalf of another charitable organization, the Board particularly desires that no students shall be made to feel uncomfortable or pressured to provide funds. Staff is expected to emphasize the fact that donations are always voluntary. No students shall be barred from an activity because they did not participate in fund-raising.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

51520 Prohibited solicitations on school premises (except such nonpartisan, charitable organizations as approved by the governing board)

51521 Unlawful solicitations of contribution or purchase of personal property for benefit of public school or student body; exception

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

17510-17510.7 Charitable solicitations

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

11706 Dangerous activities and occupations

Policy

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