

Student Gifts and Solicitations

The solicitation of charitable contributions from students will be restricted to drives approved by the superintendent.

Materials of any kind from commercial, political, religious, professional, or other groups require advance approval by the building principal before being used in the schools.

Students may not be used as the agents for distributing such materials to the homes without advance approval by the building principal. Approval may be granted or denied based on the assessment of the service(s) provided, the purpose(s) of the materials, the overall effect of such distribution and who stands to benefit, proportionately, from such distribution.

When any group or organization is dissatisfied with the principal's decision, it may petition the superintendent in writing. If they are dissatisfied with the superintendent's decision, they may petition the Board in writing through the superintendent. The Board's decision is final and binding on all parties.

Groups or individuals wishing the school to announce with postings or present contest or scholarships must have the prior approval of the principal.

No supplementary materials which bear the identification or label of any of the following types of organizations may be distributed in class or during activities to students:

1. Organizations or individuals which represent essentially commercial enterprises;
2. Organizations or individuals which have as one of their primary purposes the financial or economic advancement of their members or themselves;
3. Religious organizations;
4. Organizations or individuals which espouse a particular political or ideological philosophy.

Examples of organizations which fall into the above categories are businesses, political parties, public utility companies, churches, labor organizations.

Examples of organizations which do not fall within the above categories are civic and charitable organizations and some non-profit social organizations.

Publishers' names on curricular materials do not fall within these guidelines. Their commercial message is directed at the district, not at the children or their parents.

Materials which may not be distributed in class to students may, with the prior approval of the principal, be announced as items which interested students may pick up at a designated location in the school and a copy will be placed on file with a distribution date.

The Board also expects the solicitation of many for gifts for activity sponsors, teachers, or other individuals to be under school control.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 339.880](#)