

**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 safe and equal educational opportunities for all district students.

Before accepting a gift, the Board shall consider whether the gift:

1. Has purpose consistent with the district's vision and philosophy
2. Begins a program which the Board would be unable to continue when the donated funds are exhausted
3. Entails undesirable or excessive costs
4. Implies endorsement of any business or product

The Board shall carefully evaluate any conditions or restrictions imposed by the donor in light of district philosophy and operations. If the Board feels the district will be unable to fully satisfy the donor's conditions, the gift shall not be accepted.

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

All gifts, grants and bequests shall become district property, but gifts may be used at a particular school site per donor request and upon board approval.

The Superintendent of schools shall set up criteria to be met in the acceptance of gifts, and the procedure for examining and evaluating offers of gifts to the district.

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
- 41035 Advisory committee
- 41036 Function of advisory committee
- 41037 Rules and regulations