CAPITAL ASSETS/THEFT-SENSITIVE ASSETS

CAPITAL ASSETS

The district shall maintain a comprehensive capital assets record-keeping system. The goal of the capital assets program is to protect the district against losses that would significantly affect the district’s students, staff, property, budget or the ability of the district to continue to fulfill its stewardship responsibilities.

For purpose of this policy, “capital assets” shall mean land, improvements to land, easements, building improvements, vehicles, machinery, equipment, works of art and historical treasures, infrastructure and all other tangible and intangible assets that are used in operations and that have initial useful lives extending beyond a single reporting period which:

A. Retains its shape and appearance with use;
B. Is nonexpendable, meaning if the item is damaged or some of its parts are lost or worn out, it may be more feasible to repair it than to replace it with an entirely new item.
C. It does not lose its identity when incorporated into a more complex unit;
D. Is valued no less than $5,000 unless a lesser amount is set by the district; and
E. Has a life expectancy of at least one year.

Federal law requires a physical inventory of federally-funded assets at least once every two years. Reconciled inventory reports shall be provided to the board. Such report shall identify lost, damaged or stolen capital assets. Missing capital assets will be removed from district property records by a vote of the board.

No equipment shall be removed for personal or non-school use.

Theft-Sensitive Assets

For purposes of this policy, “theft-sensitive” are those items identified by the district as most subject to loss (e.g., audio-visual equipment, laptop computers, and digital cameras). The district should establish procedures for internal controls and conduct an annual inventory of theft-sensitive assets.

The board will be provided a report identifying equipment not accounted for in the annual inventory. This equipment will be removed from the district property records through school board action annually.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to implement this policy, including maintenance requirements and sales procedures to ensure the highest possible return.

Cross References: Policy 6570
Legal References: RCW 28A.335.090

Property, Data and Records Management
Conveyance and acquisition of property— Management — Appraisal
34 CFR § 80.32
Uniform Administrative requirements for grants and cooperative agreements to state and local governments – Equipment
7 CFR § 3015, 3016
Agriculture
45 CFR § 92.32
Health and Human Services
Management Resources:
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