PURCHASING AUTHORITY

The Board of Education designates the Business Administrator as purchasing agent for the school district. Under the general supervision of the Superintendent of Schools, the purchasing agent will be responsible for administering all purchasing activities and ensuring the quality and quantity of purchases made by the district.

All purchases shall be made through the Business Office by the purchasing agent or his/her designee, subject to the approval of the Superintendent.

The purchasing agent is authorized to issue purchase orders without prior approval of the Board when formal bidding procedures are not required by law and budget appropriations are adequate to cover such obligations.

The purchasing agent shall be responsible for preparing all bid specifications and a statement of general bidding conditions to be included in every notice or invitation to bid. If there are questions concerning specifications, the purchasing agent will consult with the requisitioner to clarify the matter so as to ensure that the appropriate goods or services are obtained.

The purchasing agent is authorized to approve expenditures, contractual commitments, and leases of less than $5000.

Ref: Education Law § 1709(20-a)

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