STUDENT SALES OF MERCHANDISE IN THE COMMUNITY

In recognition of a responsibility to provide educational experiences which are relevant and varied, the Board of Education regularly approves the allocation of public monies for faculty leadership, use of facilities, purchase of supplies, and other expenses necessary to conduct a wide-range of special-interest groups. Supplementation of these funds by sale of merchandise in the community by students is generally inappropriate and unwarranted.

Items of merchandise shall be offered for sale by students, or services rendered for fees by students, outside of the school buildings or grounds as school-affiliated activities only in exceptional cases and only with the prior approval of the superintendent of schools. The school superintendent will regularly advise the Board of Education of occasions of exceptionality.

Practices undertaken in response to this policy will assure protection of citizens of the community from excessive coercion by students; protection of local businesses from excessive competition from school-sponsored fund-raising drives; and protection of students and teachers from undue distraction from the learning process.

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