



FARMINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 192

POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

*MSBA Policy 706*

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## **NON-INSTRUCTION OPERATIONS AND BUSINESS SERVICES**

### **706 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS**

#### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the acceptance of gifts by the school board.

#### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

It is the policy of this school district to accept gifts only in compliance with state law.

#### **III. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS GENERALLY**

The school board may receive, for the benefit of the school district, bequests, donations or gifts for any proper purpose. The school board shall have the sole authority to determine whether any gift or any precondition, condition, or limitation on use included in a proposed gift furthers the interests of or benefits the school district and whether it should be accepted or rejected. Gifts that are memorial in nature may be subject to additional restrictions outlined in Policy 1012.

#### **IV. GIFTS OF REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY**

The school board may accept a gift, grant or devise of real or personal property only by the adoption of a resolution approved by two-thirds of its members. The resolution must fully describe any conditions placed on the gift. The real or personal property so accepted may not be used for religious or sectarian purposes.

#### **V. ADMINISTRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TERMS**

If the school board agrees to accept a bequest, donation, gift, grant or device which contains preconditions, conditions or limitations on use, the school board shall administer it in accordance with those terms. Once accepted, a gift shall be the property of the school district unless otherwise provided in the agreed upon terms.

Gifts of educational significance may be approved to receive additional acknowledgement at a school board meeting and/or contain a plaque or insignia indicating the donating individual or group. A donor may request for consideration one of the following templates for a sign, plaque, or label:

- “Donated by *FIRST NAME LAST NAME*” (Actual Donor)
- “Donated by the *LAST NAME* Family”

- “Donated by the Class of *YEAR*”
- “Donated by the *LAST NAME* Family in honor of *INDIVIDUAL/GROUP*”

## **VI. POLICY DISSEMINATION AND RELATED MATERIALS**

This policy will be available to the public on the district website. This policy, as well as Donation Procedures 706P, will be shared annually with school staff including coaches and advisors. This policy will be reviewed at a minimum of every three years by the school board, district and building administration to ensure it continues to further the stated purpose. Persons who have questions, comments or concerns should contact the District Office at 651-463-5013.

***Legal References:*** Minn. Stat. § 123B.02, Subd. 6 (General Power of Independent School Boards)  
Minn. Stat. § 465.03 (Gifts to Municipalities)

***Cross References:*** 706P – Donation Procedures