

Associated Student Bodies

An associated student body (ASB) will be formed in each school within the district whenever one or more students in that school engage in money-raising activities with the approval and at the direction or under the supervision of the district.

An ASB will be a formal organization of students, including sub-components or affiliated student groups. Each ASB will submit a constitution and bylaws to the board for approval. The constitution and bylaws will identify how student activities become approved as student body activities and establish standards for their supervision, governance, and financing. Subject to such approval process, any lawful activity that promotes the educational, recreational, or cultural growth of students as an optional extracurricular or co-curricular activity may be considered for recognition as an ASB activity. Any lawful fundraising practices that are consistent with the goals of the district and that do not bring disrespect to the district or its students may be acceptable methods and means for raising funds for student body activities. The board may act or delegate the authority to a staff member to act as the ASB for any school that contains no grade higher than grade six.

The school principal will designate a staff member as the primary advisor to the ASB and assure that all groups affiliated with the ASB have an advisor assigned to assist them. Advisors will have the authority and responsibility to intervene in any activities that are inconsistent with district policy, ASB standards, student safety, or ordinarily accepted standards of behavior in the community. When in doubt, advisors will consult with the school principal regarding the propriety of proposed student activities. Student activities cannot include support or opposition to any political candidate or ballot measure.

Each ASB will prepare and submit annually a budget for the support of the ASB program to the board for approval. All property and money acquired by ASBs, except private nonassociated student body funds, will be district funds and will be deposited and disbursed from the district's ASB program fund.

Money acquired by ASB groups through fundraising and donations for scholarships, student exchanges, and charitable purposes will be private nonassociated student body fund monies.

Solicitation of funds for nonassociated student body fund purposes must be voluntary and must be accompanied by notice of the intended use of the proceeds and the fact that the district will hold the funds in trust for their intended purpose. Nonassociated student body fund moneys will be disbursed as determined by the group raising the money. Private nonassociated student body funds will be held in trust by the district for the purposes indicated during the fundraising activities until the student group doing the fund-raising requests disbursement of the funds and the accounts of the fundraising are complete and reconciled.

The board may establish and collect fees from students and nonstudents as a condition of attendance at, or participation in, optional noncredit extracurricular district events of a cultural, social, recreational, or athletic nature, including but not limited to Associated Student Body (ASB) card fees, participation fees, and admission fees.

In accordance with HB 1660 and RCW 28A.325.010, the district shall adopt procedures to waive or reduce fees for students eligible for the federal fee or reduced-price meals program, students whose families would have difficulty paying due to financial hardship, and eligible senior citizens or other nonstudents as determined by district procedures.

All fees collected pursuant to this policy shall be deposited in the Associated Student Body Program Fund of the district.

Cross References: 2150 - Co-Curricular Program
 3515 - Student Incentives
 4200 - Safe and Orderly Learning Environment
 6020 - System of Funds and Accounts

Legal References: RCW 28A.325.010 Fees for optional noncredit
 extracurricular events—Disposition
 RCW 28A.325.020Associated student bodies — Powers and
 responsibilities affecting
 RCW 28A.325.030Associated student body program fund —
 Fundraising activities — Nonassociated student body
 program fund moneys
 Chapter 392-138 WAC Finance — Associated student
 body moneys
 RCW 28A.325.050 Associated student body program fund
 — Publication of information on school district web site

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