

Board of Trustees Douglas County School District

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INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES AND STUDENT FEES

The Board shall provide each teaching staff member with the supplies, materials, and equipment necessary, within budgetary constraints, for the implementation of the approved instructional program, and shall provide each student with the supplies, materials, and access to instructional resources required for successful participation in and completion of courses of study. Instructional supplies include both traditional and digital/technology-related items that are necessary to implement the District's curriculum and the Nevada Academic Content Standards.

Exceptions to this policy shall occur in the following circumstances:

1. When individualized and non-reusable clothing or equipment is required for reasons of safety, health, hygiene, or the protection of school property (for example, personal athletic gear or specialized protective clothing), students may be required to provide their own items that meet standards set by the school. Such standards shall be those reasonably related to safety, health, and protection of property and shall be communicated clearly and in advance.
2. When students create useful items in courses such as career and technical education, or other classes and are permitted to keep the finished products, they may be required to pay the District the cost of the consumable materials used, in accordance with administrative regulations and published course information. No student shall be required to pay for materials for items the District does not permit the student to keep.
3. Students who voluntarily participate in co-curricular or extracurricular activities may be required to purchase personal supplies or equipment necessary for the conduct of the activity, in accordance with District and school guidelines. Fees or costs for such activities shall be communicated to students and families in advance and shall be designed to minimize barriers to participation.
4. When students choose to use personally owned digital devices or accessories in lieu of District-provided technology, they may be responsible for the cost of those personal items; however, students shall not be required to purchase personal devices or digital supplies as a condition of access to the District's approved instructional program.

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Where requirements to pay for clothing, equipment, or supplies impose a financial hardship on a student or the student's family, the District may assume the cost or provide alternative arrangements in accordance with Administrative Regulations. The Superintendent shall establish procedures designed to ensure that no student is denied participation in the instructional, or in co-curricular or extracurricular activities offered by the District, for financial reasons. Such procedures shall protect the privacy and dignity of students and families and shall address both traditional and digital/technology-related supplies needed for access to the instructional program.

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