

STUDENT FEES, FINES AND CHARGES

Fees for Curriculars & Extra Curriculars

Students enrolled in District schools will be furnished basic textbooks without cost; however, a fee for consumable materials and supplies used in the instructional program will be established at the beginning of each school year and may vary as the cost of materials and supplies fluctuates. The Board may require that students pay reasonable fees for such materials.

The Board recognizes that for curriculars effective instruction may require the use of materials to supplement basic text materials. The Board also recognizes the need for extracurricular fees to help offset costs. The Board directs the Superintendent annually to develop and set a fee schedule to help defray costs for curriculars and extra curriculars for K-12 students. The Board shall adopt a schedule of fees annually. Such fees are to be deposited in the treasury of the Board to defray the cost of materials, supplies and equipment. The Superintendent shall also prepare and implement administrative guidelines, which provide for restrictions and/or action when such fees remain unpaid. The Superintendent or designee has the right to waive fees for a student if deemed necessary and/or appropriate.

Students approved to receive the “free” National School Lunch/School Breakfast will have their instructional fees waived for the school year.

Fines and Charges

When school textbooks, property, equipment, supplies and other forms of school property are damaged, lost or taken by individuals, a charge will be assessed. The charge will be reasonable, seeking only to compensate the school for the expense or loss incurred. Free lunch eligibility does not exempt a student from paying fines for damage to school property.

The late return of borrowed books or materials from the school libraries will be subject to appropriate fines.

All charges and fines collected will be sent to the Treasurer for deposit in the general fund of the Board.

Collection of Student Fees and Fines

The administration may establish regulations for the collection of student fees and fines.

Grades and credits may not be made available to any student, graduate or to anyone requesting same on his/her behalf until all fees and fines for that student have been paid in full. Participation in extracurricular field trips may not be permitted unless payment has been received. Students will be prohibited from participating in commencement exercises unless payment has been received. Special circumstances will be considered at the discretion of the Superintendent or designee.

Collection Process

1. The principal will advise parents of fees due at the beginning of the school year.
2. At the end of the first quarter, the principal will send a letter and/or an invoice to parents of students with outstanding fees and fines.
3. A payment schedule may be arranged at the building level with full payment to be received by June 15.

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LEGAL REFS.: National School Lunch Act of 1946, 42 USC 1751
Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42 USC 1771
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CROSS REF.: IGCD, Educational Options (Also LEB)