

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 719  
PRIOR LAKE - SAVAGE AREA SCHOOLS**511 STUDENT FUNDRAISING****I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to address student fundraising efforts. The school board recognizes the need for fundraisers in order to provide programs, services, and materials that cannot be supported by the regular school budget. The board also recognizes that fundraising efforts should not disrupt the educational process nor create a hardship or burden for families, employees, the community, or organizations. It is the intent of this policy to establish general fundraising guidelines to meet these expectations.

**II. DEFINITIONS**

"Student fundraising" refers to the activities and initiatives organized by students, often with the support of staff, parents, or the school district itself, to raise funds for specific educational purposes within a particular school district. These fundraising efforts are typically aimed at generating additional financial resources to support various educational programs, projects, or activities that may not be fully funded through the regular school budget.

**III. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

- A. The building administrators shall be responsible for developing recommendations to the superintendent or designee that will result in a level of activity deemed acceptable by employees, parents and students. Fundraising must be conducted in a manner that will not result in embarrassment on the part of individual students, employees, or the school.
- B. All fundraising activities must have prior written approval by the superintendent or designee and building principal or program administrator. Participation in non-approved activities shall be considered a violation of school district policy.
- C. The superintendent or designee shall be responsible for providing coordination of student fundraising throughout the school district as deemed appropriate.
- D. The school district expects all students who participate in approved fundraising activities to represent the school, the student organization and the community in a responsible manner. All rules pertaining to student conduct and student discipline extend to student fundraising activities.
- E. The school district expects all employees who plan, supervise, coordinate, or participate in student fundraising activities to act in the best interests of the students and to represent the school, the student organization, and the community in a responsible manner. Fundraising activities, whenever possible, should not occur during class time on school premises.
- F. Salespersons, agents, or promoters of any kind shall not contact students or employees on school property for the sale of merchandise or for the promotion of ideas and interests without the express written permission of the Superintendent of Schools or the designated representative.

**Legal References:** MN Stat. § 120A.20 (Admission to Public School)  
MN Stat. § 123B.09, Subd. 8 (Boards of Independent School Districts)  
MN Stat. § 123B.36 (Authorized Fees)

**Cross References:** [Policy 506 \(Student Discipline\)](#)  
[Policy 713 \(Student Activity Accounting\)](#)

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