

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 719  
PRIOR LAKE - SAVAGE AREA SCHOOLS

## 706 DONATIONS AND GIFTS

### I. PURPOSE

Donations and gifts given to ISD 719 from individuals, organizations, and businesses of the school district, or from others in any way affiliated with the school district, are vital in supporting programs and activities of the school district. The School Board is appreciative of donations and gifts given and will acknowledge donations and gifts publicly unless requested otherwise by the donor. It is the purpose of this policy to clarify the conditions under which donations and gifts will be received.

### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

#### Conditions for Receiving Donations/Gifts

It is understood by the School Board and the donor that all donations and gifts to ISD 719 are made unconditionally and in no way commit the school district to further favorable conditions towards the donor.

The school board retains the right to accept or deny any donations and gifts.

The school board will give consideration to the wishes of the donor or gift-giver in the use of the donation or gift.

The school board retains the right to comply with, modify, or deny the wishes of the donor or gift-giver.

In determining acceptance of a gift or donation, the school board retains discretion over the expenditure and use of the donation or gift.

If there is an issue identified related to the proposed donation, the administration will communicate, in advance of board acceptance of the donation, with the donor regarding the issues of the donation.

All donations and gifts made to the school district are subject to the limitations set forth in Minnesota statutes or federal law.

#### Process for Giving Donations/Gifts

Those interested in making a donation or giving a gift to the district are directed to contact the appropriate school administrator or the school district's superintendent.

Donations being considered for approval will generally be brought to the school board for approval during regular school board meetings. If the donation or gift requires a full board discussion, the donation or gift will be on the new or unfinished business portion of the agenda during the board meeting.

Donations and gifts will be acknowledged by the school board after the board has taken action to accept the donation or gift by a written thank you from the superintendent or designee.

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 as required by Minnesota Statute section 465.03. 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.

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

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