

District Fundraising Activities

The Edmonds School District recognizes that it needs a balance of state, federal, local and non-governmental funds to achieve its goals. The district further recognizes that dwindling state and federal funds present challenges for the district. Increasingly, the district is seeking local and non-governmental funding sources in order to preserve, establish and enhance important programs and educational opportunities. The district's ability to offer diverse, quality educational programs and experiences for our students depends in part on our ability to secure reliable alternative sources of funding.

To preserve and to establish district programs and educational opportunities, the Edmonds School District Board of Directors authorizes fundraising activities where such programs:

1. Promote K-12 education in the district;
2. Have a direct link between the fundraising activity and the instructional program receiving the benefit;
3. Provide educational experiences for students;
4. Address local funding obligations that support the educational mission of the district;
5. Promote the effective, efficient or safe management and operation of the district.

Edmonds School District fundraising activities may include:

1. Soliciting gifts and donations that are reasonably related to the pursuit of district objectives;
2. Entering into interlocal agreements with other government agencies which generate additional funds for district activities;
3. Operating various revenue-generating enterprises consisting of the sale of goods or services that are produced by or linked to the district's educational program.
Fundraising programs, including enterprise activities, will be in the best interests of the district and will not interfere with the operation of district programs or functions. District fundraising programs will not conflict with any applicable law and/or state or federal constitutional provisions, including the separation of church and state.

This policy governs the establishment and administration of district fundraising for the general fund and for particular programs in the district. It does not address fundraising programs conducted by Parent Teacher Organizations, other non-profits or citizens' organizations or the Associated Student Body. Fundraising by the Associated Student Body is addressed by RCW 28A.325.030 and Policy 3530.

The superintendent will establish procedures for the administration of district fundraising programs to ensure compliance with all applicable laws.

Legal References

RCW 28A.320.015 School Boards of Directors – Powers – Notice of adoption policy

RCW 28A.320.030 Gifts, conveyances, etc., for scholarship and student aid purposes, receipt and administration

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