STUDENT FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES

The Board believes in providing opportunities for students to participate through cocurricular activities in fund-raising projects which contribute to their educational growth and which do not conflict with the instructional program. The Ohio Revised Code and the Auditor's office mandate careful accounting of the receipt and expenditure of such funds, therefore all fiscal operations of student groups must be in compliance with the following guidelines. All such related activities must be:

- 1. conducted by a recognized student group for the purpose of contributing to educational objectives;
- 2. appropriate to the age or grade level;
- 3. activities in which schools may appropriately engage;
- 4. conducted under the supervision of teachers, advisors or administrators;
- 5. conducted in such a manner and at such times as not to encroach upon instructional time or interfere with regularly scheduled school classes and activities;
- 6. scheduled so as not to be unduly demanding on secretarial, teacher and principal time or work;
- 7. evaluated annually by teachers, advisors, administrators and students;
- 8. limited in number so as not to become a burden or nuisance to the community and
- 9. sensitive to direct competition with fund-raising efforts sponsored by recognized groups and organizations within the community.

The application of the above criteria for student sales and activities is supervised by the building principal with the approval of the Treasurer/designee. Each principal submits to the Treasurer/designee a list of the proposed sales or fund drives which the school plans to conduct during the school year and the purpose for which the funds are going to be used. The Treasurer/designee then indicates his/her approval or disapproval within the limitations of the above criteria.

"Crowdfunding" refers to a campaign to collect typically small amounts of money from a large number of individuals to finance a project or fundraise for a specific cause. Through the use of personal networking, social media platforms, and other Internet based resources, funds are solicited or raised to support a specific campaign or project.

The Board of Education does not permit or sanction the use of crowdfunding for District or specific school programs or activities, including co-curricular and extracurricular activities.

Funds derived from approved student fund-raising activities are handled by the Treasurer's office in accordance with the State Auditor's requirements.

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