SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Section SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS

Policy Name FUND RAISING Management Guideline Applies 509

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RATIONALE

The Superior-Greenstone District School Board recognizes that involvement in fund raising projects by students and the community supports school spirit and promotes student growth and learning. Underlying these efforts is the belief that it is not the responsibility of parents or school communities to raise funds for basic educational requirements but rather that school communities may raise funds to enhance program and support school initiatives.

POLICY

It is the policy of the Superior-Greenstone District School Board to permit and to encourage schools to enter into fund raising activities which enhance school programs and support school initiatives, subject to the guiding principles set forth under this policy.

Organizations such as School Councils and Student Councils which are related to the operating of the Board and its schools may engage in fund raising activities provided that the activities have been approved by the School Principal and the activities abide be other appropriate policies of the Board. All fund raising activities will respect:

- The voluntary nature of fund raising activities and avoid any undue pressure being brought to bear on any pupil or family to participate in activities which involve expenses which are to be covered or partially offset by fund raising;
- Student and staff time and school programs must not interfere with the normal conduct of classes or the usual routine of the school:
- Age-appropriate activities;
- Supervision of students and safety precautions;
- All appropriate legislation, including but not limited to the Education Act, the Income Tax Act and the Municipal Act; and
- Accounting policies and procedures for fundraising as set out in the management guideline for the Policy.

In addition to the above, it is the policy of the Superior-Greenstone District School Board that:

- Door-to-door canvassing should be discouraged.
- Soliciting funds by political or commercial agencies is not permitted on the properties of Superior-Greenstone District School Board.
- When an event, trip or purchase is cancelled, the proceeds from fund raising cannot be specifically targeted to a student, but must be used to benefit the school.
- Schools are limited to raising funds for:
 - o Day field trips
 - Extended field trips
 - o Special co-curricular projects, such as graduation etc.
 - o Charities
 - Community projects
 - Special school/class projects
 - Costs of travel to sports competitions

- o Cost of travel to co-curricular competition
- o Other activities as approved by the Superintendent
- Fund raising for the purchase of specific classroom resources is not permitted. However, fund raising for purchases which complement items funded by provincial grants and enhance the overall learning environment of the school is permitted.
- All equipment purchased from funds derived from fund raising shall become the property of Superior-Greenstone District School Board and shall be included in the school's equipment inventory list. Such equipment must meet system standards.
- Fund raising activities should not result in any person with decision-making responsibilities, benefitting materially or financially from the activities, except for the winners of lotteries.