Students

## SUBJECT: FUND RAISING BY STUDENTS & SCHOOL-RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

Fundraising initiatives undertaken by students or any school-related organization using the District name, logos, etc. require prior approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Fund raising initiatives in which students sell merchandise, provide services, or in other ways solicit money for school activities and/or charities may be sponsored by school organizations with the express approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee. Any plan must have a clearly defined purpose that is aligned to the District's core values, must contribute to the educational experience of students, and must not interfere with instructional programs or conflict with state mandates. Profits will be used to enhance school programs by providing money for expenditures not normally funded by the District or, in the case of fundraising to support a charity or outside organization, will be donated to the charity or outside organization, consistent with the fundraising plan that has been approved in advance by the Superintendent or his/her designee. All student participation in fundraising activities will be voluntary, and students' right to access a free and appropriate public education will not be predicated on their willingness to participate in fundraising activities.

Employees who lead or assist with fundraising activities must follow all cash handling procedures established by the District and are not permitted to deposit the proceeds of any fundraising activity in their own personal accounts. Employees who fail to follow the District's cash handling procedures may be held personally liable.

New York State Constitution, Article 8, § 1 Education Law § 414 8 NYCRR § 19.6

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #3271 -- Solicitation of Charitable Donations

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