

Statement of Policy

Subject to the provisions of this policy the board approves school-based fundraising to complement and or supplement the basic educational program, or to support approved charities.

Rationale

The support of approved charities is consistent with our call to be people of Social Justice.

In Catholic Education we work very hard at teaching the love of neighbour as an inextricable consequence of love of God. If we want a person to enter into our heart's domain, we open wide the doors through kindness, consideration and compassion, attentive care, and tender love. (Build Bethlehem Everywhere - 32)

While recognizing the board responsibility to provide funds to meet the basic educational program of students, the board supports school staff and or Catholic School Community Council fundraising initiatives to supplement or complement the basic program.

Authority

- The Education Act, 1995 Section 85 (c) and 140.5 (e)
- The Education Act, 1995 Regulations 3.92 (e)
- Policy Governance Manual

Guidelines

1. For the purpose of this policy school-based fundraising refers to all fundraising activities conducted under the auspices of the school.
2. Any funds collected are considered public funds.
3. The board expects all fundraising to be compatible with the principle of equity and the best interests of students, staff, parents, and the school community.
4. The principal is responsible for informing the Catholic School Community Council of the specific nature and purpose of school-based fundraising.
5. Monies raised through school-based fundraising are to be used to enhance school programs related to:
 - costs for approved student excursions or other out-of-school educational programs.
 - approved student activities special events conducted at the school or under the auspices of the school.
 - purchase of print or non-print learning resources.
 - equipment and supplies for extra-curricular activities.
 - improvements to school sites or playgrounds.

6. All fundraising shall be approved by the principal and shall be conducted within the school's normal attendance area.
7. Involvement by students in fundraising is voluntary; all participants must consent to such involvement.
8. Consideration must be given to the safety and security of students participating in canvassing.
9. Because funds are public funds, the principal, in consultation with the Superintendent of Administrative Services, shall follow policies and procedures for the safekeeping and accounting of funds.
10. Purchase of goods and services from school-based fundraising shall follow the approved procedures of the school division.
11. Conducting fundraising activities must be such as to avoid 'over canvassing' of school communities.
12. All school-based fundraising must comply with municipal and/or provincial regulations.

Procedures

1. Executive Council shall approve the list of fundraising campaigns of charitable organizations on an annual basis. The approved list shall be posted on the division website and circulated to schools at the beginning of each school year. [List attached]
2. The designated Superintendent of Education and Administrative Services shall both approve all other fundraising campaigns of charitable organizations not on the AList of Approved Charitable Fundraising Organizations@ prior to the fundraising event.
3. Collection of all funds for charitable organizations shall be conducted under the direction of the principal and shall be conducted within the school's normal attendance area.
4. Involvement by students in fundraising is voluntary; all participants must consent to such involvement.
5. Consideration must be given to the safety and security of students participating in canvassing.
6. The principal is responsible for establishing proper procedures for safekeeping, accounting, and remission of all monies collected.
7. All charitable organizations shall be prepared to provide evidence of compliance with municipal and/or provincial regulations with respect to fundraising.
8. Fundraising by staff in the school shall be approved by the principal.

References

Statement of educational commitment of Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools:

- To practice stewardship with respect for all of God's creation
- To be attentive to the specific needs of each student
- To foster the creative potential of each student
- To recognize the inter-relationship of all knowledge in a world created by a loving God
- To foster good human relationships

Documents/Forms

Learning Services Division Manual

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List of Approved Charitable Fundraising Organizations

The Executive Council list of approved charitable fundraising campaigns in reference to Policy IAB includes the following organizations:

- Alzheimer Society of Saskatchewan
- Brazil Missions
- Canadian Cancer Society / Terry Fox Run
- Canadian Diabetes Association
- Canadian Feed the Children
- Catholic Family Services
- Chalice
- Children's Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan
- Crisis Nursery
- Development and Peace / Share Lent
- Dictee PGL
- Diocese of Saskatoon / Eparchy of Saskatchewan
- Food Banks (in respective communities)
- Foster Parents Plan
- Free The Children
- Friends of Loa
- Friendship Inn
- Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation
- GO21- Get Active Saskatchewan
- Guadalupe Native Ministry
- Habitat For Humanity
- Hands at Work in Africa (Canada) Society
- Heart & Stroke Foundation
- Holy Childhood Association
- Hope for Malawi
- Humboldt Regional Newcomer Centre
- Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation
- Kidsport
- The Kinsmen Foundation / Telemiracle
- L'Arche Saskatoon/L'Arche Canada
- The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada (LLSC)
- Lung Association
- Make - A- Wish Saskatchewan Go Blue Go Bald
- MS Society Readathon
- Music and Band Parent Associations
- Northern Saskatchewan Missions
- NSU Development and Cultural Association (Canada Chapter)
- OXFAM
- Parish Initiatives – (example: Parish Nurse Program)
- Pennies For Parkridge
- Rainbow of Hope for Children / The Alphonse Gerwing Foundation
- Red Cross
- Remembrance Day Poppy Fund
- Riki Walkathon / Camp Easter Seals
- Ronald McDonald House

- Salvation Army / Christmas Hamper Program
- Saskatchewan Abilities Council
- Saskatoon Community Associations
- Saskatoon Pre-School Foundation
- Sisters of St. Joseph
- Society of the Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) - Father Roland Dubout
- Soni – Broken Wings Mission
- The Children’s Wish Foundation
- The Gathering Place
- Toonies for Tuition
- UNICEF
- United Way
- WaterAid Canada
- WE Day
- YWCA

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