

FUNDRAISING POLICY

A. Fundraising by School Groups:

Fundraising activities in which students sell merchandise, take orders, deliver services or in other ways solicit money shall be sponsored by school organizations with the written approval of the building principal. Fundraising activities shall not conflict with instructional programs or state mandates. Games of chance (e.g., lottery, daily numbers) with monetary payouts are prohibited. Participation must be voluntary and no direct solicitation of students or by students is permitted on school premises during school hours. Fundraising activities should contribute to the educational experience of the student. The building principals shall report annually to the Board of Education on fundraising activities by students.

District or school related organization(s) such as the Family School Organization (FSO) or the Booster club shall sponsor any fundraising activity that is used to fund activities for that organization and must adhere to District regulations, policies and practices.

Funds collected through District sponsored activities shall be promptly deposited and appropriately accounted for in the respective extra classroom fund of the school. Accounting for funds raised by school related groups is the responsibility of the group.

B. Fundraising by Employee Groups/Non-School Groups:

Employee group(s) or Non-School group(s) such as any nonprofit organization planning to engage in soliciting funds in the Saranac Central School District must seek prior approval by the Superintendent of Schools or his designee. Non-school groups must be sponsored by the District/District related organizations or employee groups. Such fundraising activities shall not conflict with instructional programs or state mandates. The Board of Education will be notified by the Superintendent of any said approved fund drive. Since any school related activity reflects on the school district as a whole, attention will be given to ensure that the high standards of the District are maintained.

Ref: NYS Constitution, Article 8 § 1
Appeal of Ponte, 38 Educ. Dept. Rep 280 (1998)
Appeal of Christe, 39 Educ. Dept. Rep. 685 (2000)
8 NYCRR §§ 19.6 (Rules of the Board of Regents)

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