

All contests, projects and solicitation or fundraising activities must comply with established district policies and procedures.

CONTESTS

District-wide contests sponsored by organizations outside of the school district must be approved by the superintendent or designee. The building principal or designee may decide whether or not to allow a contest in a particular school. It is against district policy for any teacher or administrator to require any student to enter or participate in any contest sponsored by organizations or groups not part of this district. School administrators or teachers will have the authority to evaluate contests and advise individual students on participation.

CURRICULUM RELATED PROJECTS

Curriculum related projects sponsored and/or designed by organizations outside of the school district and proposed for use in instruction in district schools must be approved by the superintendent or designee. The building principal or designee may decide whether or not to allow a project in a particular school.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Research projects proposed by organizations outside of the school district must be approved by the superintendent or designee. For approved projects, the organization's representative shall have the obligation of securing permission of the building principal(s) for participation in the project.

If the project involves surveys and/or research with teachers, teacher participation shall be optional. If the project involves surveys and/or research with students, student participation shall be optional, and parental permission for participation shall be obtained prior to conducting the research, except as described below.

When an organization conducts studies for instruction and the organization requests access to student records, those records may be made available without parental consent under certain circumstances. The organization must agree to conduct the study in such a way that the personal identification of parents and students are not revealed. The information received from the district must be shredded or destroyed by the organization when it is no longer needed for the study. If an organization receives information from the district and does not follow the requirements set forth above, it may not access further information from student records for at least five (5) years.

The board acknowledges that certain testing/research may be performed on a district-wide basis, or as necessary to verify the effectiveness of district programs. These testing/research situations, as approved by the superintendent or designee, are not subject to the above stipulations.

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising within district schools shall be kept at a level whereby it does not intrude upon the district's instructional program or upon the time of students, staff and administrators. The superintendent or designee may approve the district's participation in certain philanthropic fund drives, local or national. Fundraising at the school level shall be approved by the principal or designee. Compulsory participation by students or district employees in fundraising activities is prohibited. Student safety and welfare should remain a top priority in fundraising activities.

Teacher and student groups that intend to undertake fundraising activities in the school or community must first obtain the approval of the building principal or designee.

SOLICITATIONS

No organization or individual will be allowed to solicit or collect money from individual students or district employees during school hours without prior authorization from the superintendent or designee.

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LEGAL REFERENCE:

Idaho Code §33-506(1) – Organization of Board of Trustees
20 U.S.C. §1232g; 34 CFR Part 99 – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

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