

7230 - GIFTS TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS

The School Board is duly appreciative of public interest in and goodwill toward the schools manifested through gifts, grants, and bequests. The Board reserves the right, however, to specify the manner in which gifts are made; to define the type of gift, grant, or bequest which it considers appropriate; and to reject those which it deems inappropriate or unsuitable. If accepted, the Board will attempt to carry out the wishes of the donor.

All gifts, grants, or bequests having a value of more than \$10,000 shall be accepted by the Board. The Superintendent may accept for the Board gifts of lesser value.

Gifts, grants, and bequests shall become the property of the Board and will be subject to use by the District as determined by the policies and administrative procedures applying to all properties, equipment, materials, and funds owned by the Board. The title of all gifts shall be in the name of The School Board of Taylor County.

Any equipment proposed to be purchased by a parent organization for use in the school or at a District related event shall be submitted to the Board, prior to purchase, so it can determine if the District would incur any liability by its use. The Board is under no obligation to replace a gift or memorial if it is lost, stolen, destroyed, or becomes unserviceable.

The Board reserves the right to not accept such liability and thus deny the use of the equipment by students or District employees.

"Gifts" include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:

- A. Real property.
- B. Tangible or intangible personal property.
- C. Food or beverage.
- D. Plants, flowers, or floral arrangements.
- E. Donations.
- F. Bequests.
- G. Equipment.
- H. Materials.
- I. Funds.
- J. Artwork.
- K. Grants.
- L. _____
- M. _____

Pursuant to F.S. 1001.43, the Board has authority to govern all public gifts and donations to schools and therefore reserves the right to specify the manner in which gifts are made, to define and identify the type of gift which it considers appropriate, and to reject those which it deems inappropriate or unsuitable. Gifts shall become the property of the Board and will be subject to use by the District as determined by the policies and administrative procedures applying to all properties, equipment, materials, and funds owned by the Board. The title of all gifts shall be in the name of The School Board of Taylor County, Florida.

Any monetary gift or donation shall be properly receipted and processed in accordance with applicable District procedures.

Any proposed gift to the Board valued in excess of \$_____ must be approved by the Board. The Superintendent may accept for the Board gifts of lesser value.

All gifts, grants, or bequests shall be submitted to the Board, and if accepted, acknowledged by the Board.

The Superintendent is authorized to accept gifts or donations to the District, on behalf of the Board, of money, equipment, supplies, and materials. The Superintendent may accept the terms and conditions of any such gift or donation, as deemed appropriate, and shall have the discretion to accept or deny the gift or donation on the basis of those terms and conditions. Lists of such gifts or donations shall be compiled semi-annually.

The principal or director of a school or center is authorized to accept individual gifts or donations of money for field trips, student donations, and spontaneous donations of up to \$500 for each such gift. If an individual gift or donation exceeds \$500, its acceptance shall be in accordance with the paragraph above. If a donor does not specify how the gift or donation is to be used, the use shall then be at the discretion of the principal or director.

All accepted gifts shall be acknowledged by the Board.

Any gift conveying title shall be submitted to the Board for individual acceptance.

Permanent structures shall have utilitarian value in the operation of the school or be erected in memory of a person who has been associated with the school either as a student or employee, or an organization which has made some outstanding contribution to the school or District.

The Board shall not accept a gift of art unless the cost of installation, operation, and maintenance is consistent with the value of the gift to the school. This gift will require the approval of a committee approved by the Superintendent and shall include at least one (1) person trained in the field of art.

Articles of equipment donated to the schools by individuals, groups, or organizations may be accepted if they contribute to the operation of the school program. Donors shall be notified that the title of this gift shall be in the name of the Board.

Any equipment proposed to be purchased by a parent organization for use in the school or at a District-related event shall be submitted to the Board, prior to purchase, so it can determine if the District would incur any liability by its use. The Board is under no obligation to replace a gift or memorial if it is lost, stolen, destroyed, or becomes unserviceable. Any equipment donated to the District may not be repaired or maintained until it has been formally accepted. The Board reserves the right to not accept such liability and thus deny the use of the equipment by students or District employees.