

Book Policy Manual

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The School Board will provide the necessary textbooks and/or electronic textbooks required by the course of study free of charge for its students. The Board may need to levy certain charges to students to facilitate the utilization of other appropriate materials for curricular as well as co-curricular and extra-curricular, noncredit activities. Such charges would be made on expendable items such as magazines, workbook materials, paperback selections, and laboratory supplies, and materials, for clubs, independent study or special projects, and District-sponsored trips. No fee or charge may be required of any student as a condition of attendance and participation for credit in any class unless authorized in any federal or state statute. A School Fee shall not exceed the combined cost of the outside service provided or material used, freight and/or handling charges.

Fees

For the purposes of this policy, "school fees" or "fees" means any monetary charge collected by the District from a student or the parent(s) or guardian of a student as a prerequisite for the student's participation in any curricular or extra-curricular program of the District.

- A. "School fees" include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. all charges and deposits collected by a school for use of school property (e.g., locks, towels, laboratory equipment)
 - 2. charges for field trips made during school hours, or made after school hours if the field trip is a required or customary part of a class or extra-curricular activity
 - 3. charges or rental fees for uniforms or equipment related to varsity and intramural sports, or to fine arts programs
 - 4. charges to participate in extra-curricular activities
 - 5. graduation fees
- B. "School fees" do not include:
 - 1. library fines and other charges made for the loss, misuse, or destruction of school property;

- 2. charges for the purchase of class rings, yearbooks, pictures, diploma covers, or similar items;
- 3. charges for optional travel undertaken by a school club or group of students outside of school hours;
- 4. charges for admission to school dances, athletic events, or other social events;
- 5. optional community service programs for which fees are charged (e.g., preschool before and after-school child care, recreation programs).

Money received from resale of such material, if any, shall be remitted to the School Business Office with an accurate accounting of all transactions.

Fines

When school property, equipment, or supplies are damaged, lost, or taken by a student, a fine will be assessed. The fine will be reasonable, seeking only to compensate the school for the expense or loss incurred.

Defacing or Failure to Account for Materials-willful destruction or loss of textbooks, media, or other school-owned materials-Failure to pay for lost or damaged books/materials may result in loss of privileges. Section 1006.42(1), Florida Statutes.

The late return of borrowed books or materials from the school libraries will be subject to appropriate fines.

Any fees, fines, and/or other charges collected by members of the staff shall be remitted to the School Business Office within one (1) business day after collection.

Nothing in this policy restricts the right of access of a parent or student to school records or to receive copies of such records, as required by Federal and State laws.

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