

Soliciting Funds from and by Students

All personnel shall seek to educate pupils in the services performed by the humanitarian agencies, and shall encourage pupils to participate in their financial support as a social and community project, but no fundraising drives are to be conducted by non-school agencies or for non-school activities among the school children, except as provided by law and approved by the Yolo County Board of Education ("County Board".)

The Yolo County Superintendent of Schools ("Superintendent") and County Board recognize that student participation in fundraising activities for the schools and nonprofit, nonpartisan charitable organizations can help develop a sense of social responsibility in students, enhance the relationship between the Superintendent and County Board and the community, and contribute to the improvement of the educational program.

Whether solicitations are made on behalf of schools operated by the Superintendent or on behalf of a charitable organization, students shall not be barred from an event or activity because they did not participate in fundraising. Potential donors, including parents/guardians and members of the community, should not be unduly pressured to contribute to the schools or charitable organizations. Superintendent staff is expected to emphasize the fact that donations are always voluntary.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that parents/guardians are informed of the purpose of fundraisers.

Solicitations on Behalf of the Yolo County Office of Education

With the prior written approval of the Superintendent or designee, official school-related organizations may organize fundraising events involving students attending schools operated by the Superintendent. After the fundraiser has been held, the organization shall inform the Superintendent or designee how much money was raised and how it was spent.

Solicitations on Behalf of Charities

When approved in advance and in writing by the Superintendent or designee, nonprofit, nonpartisan organizations that are properly chartered or licensed by state or federal law may solicit students on school grounds at schools operated by the Superintendent during school hours and within one hour before school has opened and one hour after school has closed. (Education Code 51520.)

Legal References:

Education Code, 51520, 51521

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