

STUDENT FEES

The School Board recognizes its legal responsibility to provide a public education for all students in the District. The Board also recognizes that certain educational program activities and materials may require special funding. Therefore, reasonable student fees may be charged accordingly. A student fee schedule will be approved by the District Administrator. The fee schedule shall include the specific student fees to be charged, a general description of what each fee covers, and the fee amount.

Parents and guardians who claim that the financial condition of their families is such that they cannot afford to pay the established fees may request that the fees be waived or reduced. All fee waiver/reduction requests shall be approved by the building principal or designee.

The student fee schedule shall be published annually in the student handbooks, posted on the District’s website and distributed through other means necessary to inform families of the established student fees. Information regarding fee waiver/reduction opportunities should be directed to the building principal.

Building principals shall be responsible for the accurate and timely collection of student fees in accordance with proper accounting procedures. It is the Board’s expectation that all reasonable efforts shall be taken to ensure the collection of all fees due the District. After exhausting all other approaches to the collection of outstanding student fees, the Board authorizes the District Administrator to pursue legal action through small claims court for the collection of unpaid fees due the District. The District Administrator shall inform the Board when such action is being taken.

LEGAL REFERENCES:

Wisconsin Constitution

Article X, Section 3 [public education; free and without payment of tuition]

Wisconsin Statutes

- Section 118.03(2) [authority to sell textbooks to students]
- Section 118.04 [authority to charge summer school-related fees]
- Section 120.10(15) [annual meeting power; authorize board to furnish textbooks to students and prescribe the conditions under which they are furnished]
- Section 120.12(11) [school board duty; provide books and supplies for indigent students]
- Section 120.13 [school board power; do all things reasonable for the cause of education]
- Section 120.13(5) [school board power; authority to purchase books needed by students whose parents are not able to furnish them]
- Section 120.13(10) [school board power; authority to pay for school meals for students out of district funds and to charge students for the cost of school meals]
- Section 121.54(7) [authority to charge extracurricular transportation fees]
- Section 121.545 [authority to charge fees for transportation not required by law and waive fees for person unable to pay them]

CROSS REFERENCES:

656 Exhibit Student Fee Waiver/Reduction Consent Form

ADOPTED: February 9, 2017