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## West Central School District 49-7

## **STUDENT FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES**

The School Board recognizes that fundraising may be a necessary part of school life in elementary, middle and high schools. Such fundraising programs or activities must have the approval of the building principal, must serve the educational goals of the school, and must be used for the direct benefit of the students or school programs.

Fundraising activities may be conducted only when there is a defined and specific purpose that benefits students. Fundraising may be approved to supplement School District funds where the superintendent or designee feels it is appropriate to meet the educational needs of students.

Fundraising activities will have minimal impact on instructional time. Building administrators are encouraged to use home room time at the middle school and high school for activities and information related to fundraising. Fundraising in the elementary schools is primarily a parent responsibility and should require minimal instructional time. Parents and students at any level are free to participate or not to participate in fundraising efforts. (For fundraising related to student travel see Policy/ Regulation IICA/IICA-R)

Schools are encouraged to cooperate with local businesses for fundraising efforts when the product used for fundraising can be obtained locally. Schools shall not enter into fundraising agreements with organizations where students may not legally participate or purchase services or products.

The public may not solicit contributions, in money or in kind or by selling fundraising products, from students, or publicize fundraising events for non-school organizations unless authorized by the Superintendent.

With the approval of the principal, individual buildings, classrooms, or student organizations may initiate community service projects as part of the instructional program and solicit contributions, in money or in kind or by selling fundraising products, within their own building — from staff, students and families. For such projects, solicitation beyond the building level must be approved by the Superintendent.

All fund raising activities carried on by students or student organizations shall have written approval of the superintendent or designee. The designee will keep track of all organization's fundraising efforts to minimize duplicate efforts or extreme tax on the community. Each organization will apply for approval using the approved form; IGDF-E.

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