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1 The giving of gifts between students and staff members is discouraged.

2 A gift is defined as any donation, present or endowment in the form of cash,

3 merchandise, service or personal favor. Unless approved by the principal, staff

4 members are discouraged from giving gifts to any student or class of students

when the gifts arise out of a school situation, class, or school-sponsored activity.

Gifts to Staff Members

Staff members are prohibited from receiving a direct benefit, gift, reward, or promise of a direct benefit, gift, or reward for recommending, influencing, or attempting to influence the awarding of a contract that he/she is involved in making or administering on behalf of the district. Staff members are not in violation of this policy if they receive a gift or invitation to participate in an activity from vendors, salesmen or other such representatives as long as the gift or activity is not of substantial value. Substantial value is defined to be any item or activity that exceeds \$100.00. Staff members may not receive more than three gifts or participate in three activities offered by the same vendor, salesmen, or other such representative during the course of a school year; however, the cumulative value of the gifts or activities shall not exceed \$100. Premiums resulting from sales projects sponsored by the school shall become the property of the school.

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