



STUDENT FEES

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I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to address the charging of student fees.

II. General Statement of Policy

Independent School District 199 believes that equal educational opportunity should be provided to every student including those whose financial circumstances render them unable to pay.

State statutes prohibit the charging of fees for any program, project, activity or other educational experience that is part of the basic education program or course; any activity a pupil is required to attend or participate in; or any materials necessary for graduation.

Statutes permit the charging of fees for programs where a product which is in excess of minimum requirements and is at the student's option, becomes the personal property of the student; extracurricular activities; security deposits for the return of materials; items purchased of a personal nature; musical instrument rentals and certain extracurricular transportation fees; field trip fees or additional field trip costs; and athletic equipment or apparel.

The district may not withhold grades or diplomas for nonpayment of fees; however, the district is not prohibited from maintaining legal action for collection of approved fees.

III. Responsibility

The superintendent or designee shall present to the board any schedule changes to proposed fees.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. § 123B.36 and 123B.37 (Authorized fees)

Cross Reference: Policy 511 – Student Fundraising
Policy 706 – Acceptance of Gifts
Policy 713 – Student Activity Accounting