

Community Relations

**GIFTS TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL**

District staff may accept gifts offered by students or parents/guardians in appreciation for services rendered in district programs. When accepting gifts, staff should be sensitive to the feelings of other students and use discretion when opening the gifts in front of others.

**Gifts from Vendors**

District employees shall not accept personal gifts, commissions or expense-paid trips from individuals or companies selling equipment, materials or services required in the operation of the district's programs. Gifts include any gift purchased specifically for an employee which is not generally offered to other buyers. This does not prohibit the acceptance of materials and/or services which are of use and benefit to the district or acceptance of promotional or advertising items, such as calendars, desk pads, notebooks and other office gadgets which are offered by a business concern free to all as part of their public relations programs.

District employees who work for or serve as consultants for potential vendors shall not participate in evaluating any equipment, materials or services of that vendor or of its competitors.

The provisions herein shall not be interpreted to discourage opportunities of benefit to the district, in which case Board approval is required.

*(cf. 2300 - Conflict of Interest)*  
*(cf. 3310 - Purchasing Procedures)*  
*(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)*

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 60071 Bribery of school official by publisher or manufacturer
- 60072 Acceptance of bribe by school official
- 60073 Penalties for violation of article
- 60074 Supplying sample copies
- 60075 Receiving sample copies
- 60076 Inapplicability of article

Policy  
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