

Donated Funds or Other Items of Value

Gifts of money or property and the like which may serve to enhance and extend the work of the schools may be received by the district under ORS 332.385 and ORS 332.075. If accepted, such gifts will be used for the purpose specified by the donor under the local budget law or other applicable law. All proposals to donate money or property to the district will be presented to the Board, together with a recommendation by the superintendent, for the Board's formal acceptance or rejection.

It shall be the general policy of the district to direct those who desire to make a contribution to consider equipment or services that are not likely to be acquired from public fund expenditure.

Donated funds or other items of value may be accepted by the district subject to the following requirements:

1. Equipment contributed to the schools becomes the property of the district and is subject to the same policy controls and regulations that govern the use of other district-owned property;
2. Contributions of equipment or services that may involve major costs for installation or maintenance, or initial or continuing financial commitments from school funds shall be presented by the superintendent's office for Board consideration and approval;
3. Because of differences in economic resources available to the various schools, and for other reasons, the purchase of equipment on a matching fund basis (part of cost provided by an individual organization and part by the Board from public funds) shall not be encouraged;
4. Individuals or organizations desiring to contribute supplies or equipment will counsel with school officials regarding the acceptability of such contributions in advance of the solicitation of funds or the making of budgetary appropriations;
5. Funds shall not be obligated for the purpose, repair or upgrading of any equipment, property or program based on the promise of any gift prior to formal acceptance of the gift by the Board.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 294.326](#)

[ORS 332.075](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 332.385](#)

Cross Reference(s):

GBI - Gifts and Solicitations

IIA - Criteria for Textbook/Instructional Materials Selection

IIAC - Instructional Media Selection