

## **District Purchasing**

The function of district purchasing is to serve the educational program by providing the necessary supplies, equipment and services. Items commonly used in the various schools and their subdivisions will be standardized whenever consistent with educational goals and in the interest of efficiency or economy.

The superintendent or designee is appointed by the Board to serve as purchasing agent. He/She will be responsible for developing and administering the district's purchasing program.

No obligation may be incurred by any officer or employee of the Board unless that expenditure has been authorized in the budget or by Board action and/or Board policy. In all cases calling for the expenditure of district money, except payrolls, a requisition and purchase order system must be used.

No purchase will be authorized unless covered by an approved purchase order. No bills will be approved for payment unless purchases were made on approved orders.

At the discretion of the superintendent employees may, in the process of doing district business, use Sherwood School District procurement cards. Only authorized expenditures associated with district expenses shall be purchased with the card. Securing cash is not an authorized expenditure for use of district procurement cards. A purchase order is not required for purchasing card procurement. All other purchasing requirements and limits remain in effect for purchasing cards.

The superintendent or designee is authorized to enter into and approve payment on contracts obligating district funds not to exceed \$100,000 for products, materials, supplies, capital outlay and services that are within current budget appropriations. The Board shall approve all contracts that are collective bargaining agreements or service contracts that include the provision of labor performed by district employees, such as custodial, food service and transportation services.

After appropriate administrative review, the superintendent or designee will direct payment of the just claims against the district. The superintendent or designee is responsible for the accuracy of all bills and vouchers.

No Board member, officer, employee or agent of this district shall use or attempt to use his/her official position to obtain financial gain or for avoidance of financial detriment for himself/herself, a relative or for any business with which the Board member or a relative is associated.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 244.040](#)

[ORS Chapters 279, 279A, 279B, 279C](#)

[ORS 294.311](#)

[ORS 328.441 to -328.470](#)

[ORS 332.075](#)

[OAR 125-055-0040](#)

**Cross Reference(s):**

BBA - Board Powers and Duties

BBFA - Board Member Ethics and Conflicts of Interest

DJC - Bidding Requirements

FEF/FEFB - Construction Contracts - Bidding and Awards