

STUDENT FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

All fundraising activities must be voluntary. The Board of Education (the Board) of the Bethlehem Central School District (the District) will allow the following forms of solicitation:

1. the sale of goods, services, or tickets to an event (social, musical, athletic, etc.), or items, where a portion of the funds go to school-related activities or groups, or charitable purposes;
2. fundraising activities in coordination with businesses where a portion of the funds go to school-related activities;
3. the recruitment of students to participate in fundraising activities to be conducted on/off school premises; or
4. the placement of a bin or collection box in a hallway or other common area for the voluntary donation of food, clothing, or money.

The superintendent is directed to set regulations for fundraising activities taking place on school grounds, as long as those activities conform to Regent's Rule 19.6 and the guidelines set forth below:

1. no disruption of classes;
2. all fundraising activities advertisements must have the approval of the principal; and
3. school personnel are permitted to hang posters or distribute flyers notifying students of these activities.

Off School Premises

Fundraising projects in which students canvass the public off school grounds, in connection with school-related activities, will be kept to a minimum. Students are discouraged to solicit funds on a door-to-door basis, unless supervised by a parent or guardian.

Ref: NYS Constitution, Article 8 §1
 Education Law §414
 8 NYCRR §§ 19.6 (Rules of the Board of Regents); 172.1 et seq.
 Appeal of Ponte, 38 EDR 280 (1998)
 Guidelines Relating to Solicitation of Charitable Donations from School Children, SED,
 January 1994

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