

Policy

FUNDRAISING BY OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

The Oradell Board of Education acknowledges that cooperation with nonprofit community-wide service agencies may take place from time to time. The activities of these groups may not impair the educational programs in the school and should be kept to a minimum.

No person or organization may solicit funds on school property without prior permission from the Board upon recommendation of the chief school administrator.

No staff member, unless authorized by the chief school administrator, shall permit the subscription or collection of money on school premises, allow any article to be exhibited for the purposes of sale, or permit any person to enter the schools for the purpose of transacting private business. Special appeals in the classroom for charitable relief shall be permitted at the discretion of the chief school administrator and in accordance with board policy.

Permission to solicit funds will be granted only to those organizations or individuals whose purposes are consistent with the goals of this district. The chief school administrator shall specify when, where and how solicitation may take place. He/she shall ensure this does not interfere with the orderly operation of the educational program.

There is no district obligation to allow fundraising. But if a forum is opened up to any category of group (i.e., non-profit, non-partisan, community groups), the chief school administrator will not discriminate against speech or materials on the basis of the group's viewpoint or religious orientation.

The determination of the chief school administrator may include approval for bulletin boards notices, or hand-outs to students/parents.

All fundraising materials will clearly indicate their source. Non-school-related fundraising will be plainly labeled, including an express disclaimer that the activity is "not a school-sponsored activity." Flyers and parental permission slips for non-school-related activities will be subject to the same review and standards. The time, place and event for fund solicitation by non-profit organizations not sponsored by the district shall be determined by the chief school administrator or his/her designee.

The privilege to solicit funds may be revoked for all groups of that category at any time.

Funds solicited by others are not to be deposited in any district account. The board disclaims all responsibility for the protection of, or accounting for such funds.

A copy of the policy shall be given to any individual or group granted permission to solicit funds on district property.

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Key Words

Soliciting, Solicitation, Fundraising

Legal References: <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:36-34	School surveys, certain, parental consent required before administration
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:42-4	Distribution of literature as to candidacy, bond issues or other public question
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:14-15.9c1	Public employee charitable fund-raising act

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<u>Cross References</u>	*1140	Distribution of materials by students and staff
	*1230	School-connected organizations
	*3453	School activity funds
	*5136	Fundraising activities

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.