

GIFTS TO THE SCHOOLS

The School Board welcomes and appreciates gifts to the RSU 23 School Department. The School Board may accept any bequest, gift of money, or property for purposes deemed suitable by the School Board, and in accordance with applicable law and consistent with the mission, vision, values of the RSU 23 Schools.

All gifts will be considered to be unrestricted unless otherwise provided by the donor and accepted as such by the School Board. If a donor wishes to make a restricted purpose gift, the donor must clearly state the restriction in writing at the time the gift is given. Before accepting a restricted gift, the School Board shall evaluate the appropriateness of the gift and ensure compliance with the donor's intent.

Gifts of less than \$5,000 can be accepted by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with this policy without prior approval of the School School Board. Gifts of more than \$5,000 must be vetted by the administration and approved by the School School Board.

All gifts of computer and/or other technology equipment and funds to be used for such purchases shall not be accepted without consultation of the RSU 23 Director of Technology.

All gifts involving permanent changes to school or district grounds and facilities, and funds to be used for such purchases, shall not be accepted without consultation with the Director of Operations and the approval of the Superintendent and School Board.

The School Board is under no obligation to replace a gift if it is destroyed, lost, stolen, damaged, or becomes worn out. Gifts will not be accepted if they involve an excessive cost for maintenance or installation. If installation is required, the gift shall be installed under the supervision of school personnel.

Should the School Board not accept a gift, the School Board will notify the donor in writing.

The School Board does not assume responsibility for placing a value on any gift donated pursuant to this policy for use as a deduction on the donor's tax return.

The identity of the donor may be kept anonymous if that is the donor's wish.

The Superintendent shall implement any administrative procedures necessary to carry out this policy.

Legal Reference: 20-A § 1256 (MSAD)
 20-A § 4005 (ALL)
 20-A § 1705 (CSD)

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