

840 GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

The Board may accept and use any gift or memorial for purposes consistent with district goals. Individuals, businesses, or organizations desiring to contribute supplies, equipment, or money shall consult with school officials regarding the acceptability of such contributions.

Acceptable gifts and memorials shall:

1. Have a purpose consistent with the school;
2. Not begin a program that the Board is unwilling to continue after donated funds are exhausted;
3. Place no restrictions on their use, nor on the school;
4. Be accompanied by appropriate plans for construction and/or installation, if needed;
5. Not imply an endorsement of any product or business; and,
6. Not be in conflict with any other Board policy or state or federal law.

In the interest of standardization, all gifts shall be similarly labeled on district-approved plates reading

"Donated by _____ on _____."

A scholarship is the recommended gift to honor a deceased student or staff member. Any non-scholarship gift that memorializes the death of a student or staff member shall not be considered by the District until eighteen (18) months after the death.

In order not to glamorize or recognize self-destructive behaviors, in the case of a student or staff death that is ruled a suicide by the coroner, no gifts shall be accepted that memorialize the individual or family name.

The acceptance of a gift or memorial shall be recommended to the Board of Education by the District Administrator if he/she determines that the nature of the item is consistent with the educational goals and policies of the School District of Slinger and is in the best interest of the District.

All gifts and memorials shall become the property of the school district and used at the discretion of the school district, with consideration given to the suggestions of the donor(s). The Board reserves the right to modify or cancel a memorial at any time.

Equipment loaned to the district shall not be inventoried, insured, or maintained by the district.

The School District of Slinger, shall not discriminate in acceptance and administration of gifts bequests, scholarships and other aids, benefits or services to students from private agencies, organizations or persons on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, color, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability or handicap. Discrimination complaints shall be handled in accordance with established procedures.

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