STUDENT AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The board encourages the establishment of a set of criteria and procedures to govern the issuance of any award or scholarship to students.

The Superintendent of Schools is authorized to review and approve, or reject, proposed trophies, prizes, scholarships, or other awards from non-school donors. To accept an award, the proposal should be free of motives for personal or corporate gain and publicity, consistent with the goals of the school, contain criteria that leaves control with the professional staff, and meets the standards of Civil Rights and Sex Discrimination legislation.

Regulations shall be prepared by the Superintendent of Schools to establish procedures to assure compliance with this policy.
To avoid conflict with the Constitution and various federal legislative mandates, the following shall prevail:

1. The school must reject scholarship or award for which the criteria for selection includes religion, race, or sex except

   a) Schools may administer sex restrictive scholarships created by certain legal instruments providing that scholarship monies are available to offset such awards so that, overall, the provision (Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 – 34 CFR, Section 106.37 (b) (1).

   b) Schools must divide the amount of aid for athletic scholarships proportionally between number of male and female participants in athletics. (Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 – 34 CFR Section 106.37 (c) (1) (2). The dollar amounts of each scholarship are not regulated. The total amount must be substantially proportionate to the participation rates of male and female participants.

Rejection means the school cannot aid in the selection of recipients and cannot provide school facilities for the presentation of awards.

The school principal or the Director of Guidance may provide those interested in establishing a scholarship or award the directory information on students and, with parental or student consent of the eighteen (18) year old academic information.