

# Independent School District #38 School Board Policies & Procedures Manual

### 412.1 SCHOOL DISTRICT CREDIT CARDS

#### I. PURPOSE

School district staff are required from time to time to expend funds in the performance of school district business when a purchase order is neither practical nor possible. This policy shall govern the authorization and use of district credit cards.

#### II. AUTHORIZATION

- A. The School Board authorizes the Superintendent enter into a bank credit card agreement, hold bank credit cards in the name of the district and issue such cards to designated employees as needed.
- B. The School Board authorizes the Superintendent, Principals, Directors and District Office Staff to use school district credit cards for business related purchases.
- C. The School Board prohibits the issuance or use of district debit cards.
- D. A signed written acknowledgment of this policy and credit card operational procedures shall be obtained from each authorized credit card user.

## III. PURCHASES

- A. Personal use of district credit cards is prohibited.
- B. If an authorized credit card user makes or directs a credit card purchase that is not approved, that user is personally liable for the amount of the purchase.
- C. Purchases made using district credit cards must comply with all Minnesota Statutes, rules and District Policy applicable to school district purchases.
- D. District credit cards may be used for any legally authorized purchase.
- E. Supporting documentation is required for all purchases made using district credit cards. Purchases made without supporting documentation will be the personal responsibility of the credit card user.

## IV. VIOLATIONS

Violations of the provisions of this policy or credit card operational procedures may result in the revocation of the credit card and/or discipline up to and including dismissal.

# V. ESTABLISHMENT CREDIT CARD OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

The Superintendent shall develop credit card operational procedures.

Legal References: Minnesota Statute 123B.02

State of Minnesota, Office of the State Auditor, Statement of Position (Credit Card Use

and Policies) - February 2014

Cross References: School Board Policy 412 Expense Reimbursement

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