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**School Committee Policy:**

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## **Fundraising**

School groups or school programs and parent support groups must comply with all provisions of this policy. When the name of the schools is being used as a reason for fundraising, it is important that the letter and spirit of this policy is followed. Compliance also will enhance the success of fundraising by avoiding duplication of effort.

The Committee recognizes that some fundraising activities are necessary in order to obtain funding for valuable school or class projects. However, students shall not spend academic class time preparing for fundraising activities. A fundraising proposal must be approved in advance by the principal and sent to the Business Office in accordance with the attached administrative regulations. The School Committee is not responsible in the event of product failure.

Permitted fundraising shall include:

1. Sale of tickets to scheduled athletic events, school dramatic or music performances;
2. Sale of advertising space in school publications (examples: year book, music/drama programs);
3. Raising funds through direct solicitation or sale of goods for the benefit of the school or community or for charitable purposes (examples: scholarship funds, parent group activities, Art, Music, Dramatics, Booster Club or WAVM Telethon). This shall include raffles and other games of chance provided all appropriate Massachusetts General Laws are obeyed and all required permits are obtained.