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Agents, solicitors, and salespersons shall not be permitted to take time of teachers or students from normal student or teaching activities.

The students and faculty of the District shall not be used to promote commercial or private financial interests, either through direct sales or through promotion of competitive goods or services.

This rule applies to those activities, promotions, and sales originating outside the school. Exception to this rule as written above shall be made in the case of jointly sponsored school activities and school-sponsored parent(s)/guardian(s)-teacher activities.

Materials and projects submitted for consideration under this rule must be made in writing to the Building Administrator. Requests shall be considered in light of good taste, appropriateness, and the proposal's direct contribution to the educational values in the school. Consideration shall be given at all times against unreasonably added work and responsibility for staff members. Evaluations shall be completed after each fundraiser, providing input on vendor service and product quality. Summary documents shall be compiled and made available for review by district personnel planning future fundraisers. Vendors with consistently poor performance shall not be permitted to work within the district.

Any individuals or organizations violating the policy on solicitations shall be reported to the Board by the Superintendent. Violators may be denied further access to school premises by Board action.

Solicitations of Staff Members

All vendors must secure permission from the Superintendent to interview a school employee on District property. If any vendor violates this procedure, he/she may be barred from making appointments with school employees. The Principal may also recommend to the Superintendent not to purchase products or other such items from said vendor.

If a vendor violates Board policy and is subsequently barred from soliciting in the school system, the Superintendent shall send appropriate notices to each building Principal.

The notice will include the name of the vendor, his/her company, and reasons for and length of the suspension. The Superintendent may bar a vendor/salesperson from

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soliciting sales from District employees for a period not to exceed 12 months from the date of suspension. Said notice will be sent to the vendor/salesperson in question and to his/her immediate employer.

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