## POLICY

## RIDGEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## 5830 PUPIL FUND RAISING

The Board of Education recognizes the value of having pupils participate in fund-raising activities, both as individuals and as groups, in order to help defray the cost of worthwhile programs, or in support of a Board-approve charitable cause.

For purposes of this policy, "pupil fund raising" shall include the solicitation and collection of money from pupils for any purpose and shall include the collection of money in exchange for tickets, papers, or any other goods or services except those goods and services which are part of a Board-approved program of the schools.

The Board prohibits the collection of money in school or on school property or at any school-sponsored event by a pupil for personal benefit. Collection of money by school organizations approved by the Board shall be approved by the Principal. Collections by organizations outside the schools or by pupils on behalf of such organizations shall be approved by the Superintendent.

The Board shall not be responsible for the protection of or the accounting of funds collected from pupils by organizations outside the schools, by teaching staff members when not required to collect money for a Board-approved purpose, and by school-connected organizations. Funds raised by school-sponsored activities shall be deposited in the proper district accounts.

The Board reserves the authority to limit or terminate fundraising activities by school-sponsored groups or outside organizations that encourage or require door-to-door solicitation.

Direct, on-site parental supervision is required for any fund-raising activities involving door-to-door solicitation.

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