

## Students

**SUBJECT: FUNDRAISING BY STUDENTS**

Fundraising projects in which students sell merchandise, provide services, or in other ways solicit money for school activities may be sponsored by school organizations with the express approval of the building principal or program supervisor. Any plan must have a clearly defined purpose and, in general, must contribute to the educational experience of students. Fundraising must not conflict with instructional programs or state mandates. Fundraising activities away from school property will be held to a minimum. All participation will be voluntary.

Door-to-door sales projects undertaken by any organization using the BOCES' name require prior Board approval. Profits will be used to enhance school programs by providing money for expenditures not normally funded by the BOCES.

Employees are cautioned against giving the impression to students that the purpose of selling items or paying a fee is to defray a portion of the BOCES' educational program. At no time should a student's participation in an educational activity include these sales or fees. In addition, employees are not permitted to deposit the proceeds of any legitimate sales activity in their own personal accounts. All proceeds are to be deposited with the SLL BOCES Treasurer. These activities may jeopardize a student's right to participate in the educational program on a tuition or fee-free basis. Further, employees engaged in these activities may be held personally liable.

New York State Constitution, Article VIII, Section 1  
Education Law Section 414  
8 NYCRR Section 19.6

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #3271 -- Solicitation of Charitable Donations

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