

Article V.C.8. Donations

A. Statement of Purpose

Donations to schools and district are welcomed, and community partnerships are encouraged, subject to the following guidelines.

B. Administrative Guidelines and Standards

Under the direction of the superintendent, district divisions and departments shall develop necessary guidelines and standards regarding the acceptance of donations to ensure compliance with state and federal law and other district policies.

C. Products

Schools may accept donated products which carry the donor company's name, trademark, logo, or limited advertising on the product (e.g. cups, T-shirts, hats, instructional materials, furniture, office equipment, scoreboards).

D. Cash Donations

Cash donations are welcomed and may be accepted from private individuals, companies, organizations, clubs, foundations, and other appropriate entities.

1. Cash donations may be used to fund or enhance programs, facilities, equipment, supplies, services, etc.
2. Cash donations may not be used to hire regular classroom teachers, thereby altering the staffing ratios. However, classroom assistants, coaching assistants, or Specialists of any kind, including individuals who may hold educator licenses, may be hired using the funds received. Donations to fund such positions, however, shall be made to a program, school, division, or department—not directly to individuals—and employment will be processed through the Granite District's Human Resources Department and Payroll Department.
3. Cash donations shall not be used to augment an employee's remuneration beyond the remuneration associated with the salary schedule of the employee's position.

E. Donor and Business Partner Recognition

1. Donor and business partner recognitions may be placed on equipment, furniture, and other donated gifts. Recognitions may be placed on district buildings or structures with the approval of the superintendent. The Board reserves to itself approval for the naming of buildings, structures, rooms, or other district facilities.
2. Principals may authorize banners, flyers, posters, signs, or other notices recognizing a donor or school business partner. Such materials shall feature the

school-business partnership and not be advertisement for or endorsement of the business involved.

F. Large Donations

All gifts or donations, or campaigns to solicit gifts or donations, in excess of \$10,000, whether in-kind, cash, or otherwise, including financing for building projects, acquisition of equipment, or other capital improvements, shall be approved by the Superintendent prior to acceptance of the gift or donation and/or prior to solicitation. Donations or gifts, or campaigns to solicit gifts or donations, in excess of \$50,000, whether in-kind, cash, or otherwise, including financing for building projects, acquisition of valuable equipment, or other capital improvements, shall be approved by the Board of Education. The District encourages large gifts and donations to be made through the Granite Education Foundation.

G. Conditions of Donations

As required by state laws and state rules, donations will only be accepted where there is no expectation or promise, expressed or implied, of remuneration or any undue influence or special consideration. As such, donations will only be received under certain conditions:

1. No donations with a value of \$100 or more, whether in-kind, cash, or otherwise, shall be accepted by Granite School District or any of its schools, divisions, or departments without a fully completed Donation/Contribution/Sponsorship/Volunteer form.
2. Donations, whether in-kind, cash, or otherwise, shall be complete transfers of ownership, rights, privileges, and/or title in or to the donated goods or services and become the exclusive property of Granite School District upon delivery.
3. Donations of more than \$499 during the course of one year from the time the threshold is met, preclude the donor (whether an individual or representative of a foundation, organization, club, or other entity) from serving in any capacity with decision making authority over personnel or staffing; student participation or discipline; program funds; or overall direction of a program or activity. Otherwise, participation and event attendance is welcomed.

H. Prohibitions

Donations shall not be accepted that advertise or depict tobacco and alcoholic products or any other materials or products that may not legally be used by school age children or are otherwise not in compliance with the state, district, or school rules; that are harmful to the health and welfare of students; that are exploitive or unduly intrusive into the classroom or home; that would detract from or interfere with student learning; that would conflict with the educational mission of the schools; or that would commercialize or damage the image of the district or the schools.