

BUSINESS SERVICES

GIFTS TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL

It is the goal of the Beverly Hills Unified School District to provide equitable and high quality educational services and experiences to all students free of charge. To this end, neither the District nor its employees shall expect or accept gifts as a condition for providing educational services to any of its students.

While the Board of Education does not encourage gifts to staff members, it is recognized that at times students and parents/guardians will wish to express their appreciation to a particular staff member or staff members. It is the policy of the Board that donations for such gifts shall not be compulsory.

This policy does not restrict the acceptance of gifts or tokens of minimal value offered and accepted openly from students, parents or other persons in recognition or appreciation of service. District staff is expected to exercise sound professional judgment in the acceptance of gifts. In accepting gifts from individual students, staff should be sensitive to the feelings of other students and refrain from opening the gifts in front of other students.

Legal References:

Education Code

200 Discrimination, State Policy

56040 Free Appropriate Public Education for Individuals with Exceptional Needs

60070 et seq. Prohibited Acts

Code of California Regulations

Title 5, Sec. 350 Fees Not Permitted

Title 5, Sec. 80334 Unauthorized Private Gain or Advantage