Community Relations
SOLICITATION OF FUNDS FROM AND BY STUDENTS

The County Superintendent and County Board recognize that student participation in fundraising activities for the schools and nonprofit, nonpartisan charitable organizations can help develop a sense of social responsibility in students, enhance the relationship between the County Superintendent and County Board and the community, and contribute to the improvement of the educational program.

Whether solicitations are made on behalf of schools operated by the County Superintendent or on behalf of a charitable organization, students shall not be barred from an event or activity because they did not participate in fundraising. Potential donors, including parents/guardians and members of the community, should not be unduly pressured to contribute to the schools or charitable organizations. County Superintendent staff is expected to emphasize the fact that donations are always voluntary.

The County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that parents/guardians are informed of the purpose of fundraisers.

Solicitations on Behalf of the School

With the prior written approval of the County Superintendent or designee, official school-related organizations may organize fundraising events involving students attending schools operated by the County Superintendent. After the fundraiser has been held, the organization shall inform the County Superintendent or designee how much money was raised and how it was spent.

Solicitation on Behalf of Charities

When approved in advance and in writing by the County Superintendent or designee, nonprofit, nonpartisan organizations that are properly chartered or licensed by state or federal law may solicit students on school grounds at schools operated by the County Superintendent during school hours and within one hour before school has opened and one hour after school has closed. (Education Code 51520.)

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Legal Reference

Education Code
51520 Prohibited solicitations on school premises
51521 Fund-raising projects

Business and Professions Code
17510-17510.95 Charitable solicitations
Penal Code
319-329 Raffles

Revenue and Tax Code
6361 Sales tax exemption for certain sales

Code of Regulations, Title 8
11706 Dangerous activities and occupations

Management Resources

CSBA Publications

Web Sites
Office of the Attorney General: http://ca.ag.state.ca.us

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