

Operational Services

Purchases and Contracts

The Superintendent shall manage the District's purchases and contracts in accordance with State law, the standards set forth in this policy, and other applicable School Board policies.

Standards for Purchasing and Contracting

All purchases and contracts shall be entered into in accordance with State law. The Board Attorney shall be consulted as needed regarding the legal requirements for purchases or contracts. All contracts shall be approved or authorized by the Board.

All purchases and contracts should support a recognized District function or purpose as well as provide for good quality products and services at the lowest cost, with consideration for service, reliability, and delivery promptness, and in compliance with State law.

No purchase or contract shall be made or entered into as a result of favoritism, extravagance, fraud, or corruption.

Adoption of the annual budget authorizes the Superintendent or designee to purchase budgeted supplies, equipment, and services, provided that State law is followed. Purchases of items not included in the budget require prior Board approval, except in an emergency.

When presenting a contract or purchase for Board approval, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that it complies with applicable State law, including but not limited to, those specified below:

1. Supplies, materials, or work involving an expenditure in excess of \$25,000 must comply with the State law bidding procedure, 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21, unless specifically exempted.
2. Construction, lease, or purchase of school buildings must comply with State law and Board policy 4:150, *Facility Management and Building Programs*.
3. Guaranteed energy savings must comply with 105 ILCS 5/19b-1 et seq.
4. Third party non-instructional services must comply with 105 ILCS 5/10-22.34c.
5. Goods and services that are intended to generate revenue and other remunerations for the District in excess of \$1,000, including without limitation vending machine contracts, sports and other attire, and photographic services, must comply with 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21.
 - a. The Superintendent or designee shall keep a record of:
 1. each vendor, product, or service provided,
 2. the actual net revenue and non-monetary remuneration from each contract or agreement, and
 3. how the revenue was used and to whom the non-monetary remuneration was distributed.
 - b. The Superintendent or designee shall report this information to the Board by completing the necessary forms that must be attached to the District's annual budget.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21, 5/10-22.34c, and 5/19b-1 et seq.
820 ILCS 130/0.01 et seq.

CROSS REF.: 2:100 (Board Member Conflict of Interest), 4:150 (Facility Management and Building Programs)

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