

# MORRISVILLE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROPERTY

TITLE: GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS

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702. GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS	
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that individuals and organizations in the community may wish to contribute to the school district funds, personal property, real property, additional supplies or equipment to enhance or extend the instructional program.
2. Authority SC 216	The Board has the authority to accept such gifts and donations as may be made to the school district or to any school in the school district, however the Board reserves the right to specify the conditions governing the donation and acceptance of gifts. No gift or donation shall be deemed accepted by the school district until formal acceptance by the Board. The Board may accept all gifts or donations, including but not limited to donations made via the school district website, at its monthly School Business Meetings. In connection with any non-monetary gift or donation, the school district shall not render to the donor any guidance, opinion or evaluation of the fair market value of such gift or donation. After the Board's acceptance of a gift or donation on behalf of the school district, the Board shall direct the Superintendent to prepare and deliver such notification of acceptance to the donor and to take such other actions as may be appropriate in connection with the school district's acceptance of such gift or donation.
SC 216	The Board reserves the right to refuse to accept any gift which (i) does not contribute toward the achievement of the goals of this school district or (ii) the ownership of which may or would tend to adversely affect the school district or (iii) if a gift would create an inappropriate or illegal inequity between or among the school district schools, students or Student Organizations or (iv) for any other reason deemed by the Board to be in the best interests of the school district.
SC 216	Any gift accepted by the Board on behalf of the school district shall become the property of the school district, may not be returned without the approval of the Board, and is subject to the same controls and regulations as are other properties of the school district.  Any installation required as part of the gift shall be under the authority of the school district with the donor bearing the installation costs at the discretion of the Board. The school district shall be responsible for the maintenance of any gift it accepts, unless otherwise stipulated.

<p>SC 216</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>SC 216 Pol. 706</p>	<p>The Board will make every effort to honor the intent of the donor in its use of the gift, but reserves the right to utilize any gift it accepts in the best interest of the educational program of the school district.</p> <p>In no case shall acceptance of a gift be considered to be an endorsement by the Board of a commercial product or business enterprise or institution of learning. Furthermore, any gift, donation or bequest given to the school district will carry with it no expectation by the contributor of favor in return.</p> <p>All gifts shall be recorded in the appropriate inventory listing and property records.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Counsel potential donors on the appropriateness of gifts.</li> <li>2. Encourage individuals and organizations considering a contribution to the schools to consult with the principal or Superintendent before appropriating funds to that end.</li> <li>3. Acknowledge the receipt and value of any gift accepted by the school district.</li> <li>4. Report to the Board all gifts accepted on behalf of the Board.</li> <li>5. Prepare appropriate means for recognizing or memorializing gifts.</li> </ol> <p>All gifts shall be recorded in the appropriate inventory listing and property records.</p> <p><u>Forms of Solicitation:</u></p> <p>Monetary donations to the General Fund of the school district may be solicited by the school district in the following ways without approval of the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. School district web site.</li> <li>2. School district Promotional Information:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. the School district newsletter,</li> <li>b. other special communications authorized by Policy 902 “Public Relations Objectives/Publications;” and</li> <li>c. School district news and other school district electronic newsletters.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
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<p>School Code 216</p> <p>Board Policy 706</p>	<p>3. School district wide news releases prepared and distributed by the school district.</p> <p>4. [School district Cable Television].</p> <p>All other forms of solicitation of donations require Board approval.</p>
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