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## **POLICY STATEMENT**

**Section:** Business and Administrative Services

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The Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board recognizes that parents/caregivers and communities may choose to support their schools through fundraising activities. These activities have the potential to enrich the experience of our students, but also help create a broader sense of community outside school hours. Fundraising has the potential to enhance parent/caregiver engagement and contribute to a student's educational experience.

Fundraising is defined as any activity to raise money or other resources, that is approved by the school principal, in consultation with, and upon the advice of the school council, and/or school fundraising organization operating in the name of the school, and for which the school provides the administrative processes for collection. Such activities may take place on or off school property. They should support student achievement and well-being and not detract from the learning environment.

Fundraising should reflect the values and expectations of the school community, including those of parents/caregivers, students, staff, and school board trustees. Fundraising activities should be transparent so that communities know how schools and school boards will use the proceeds of their fundraising. Schools should be sensitive to the economic needs of school communities and consider the frequency and timing of fundraising and charity events so as not to overburden their communities.

In choosing fundraising activities, it is important schools consider equity of access, diversity, accessibility and inclusivity. Fundraising activities must have a designated purpose and proceeds are to be used for the intended purposes. Funds raised for school purposes should not be used to replace public funding for education and should not be used to support items funded through provincial grants, such as classroom learning materials, textbooks and repairs, or for capital projects that significantly increase operating costs.

In undertaking any fundraising activity, a school should reflect upon the following areas:

- Safety
- Voluntary Participation
- Fundraising Activity Purpose
- Fundraising Type
- Accountability and Transparency

Campaigns for funds will be approved by administration in accordance with the supporting administrative regulation.

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Administrative Regulations which support this policy include:

BA-4.8.1 Fundraising - Guidelines

BA-4.8.1A Fundraising - Guidelines - Appendix A - School Fundraising Plan

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