

School District of Lodi
STUDENT FEES

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The Board of Education is responsible for the financial operation of the District. The District may charge appropriate fees as allowed by law, to offset expenses incurred by the District.

Any payment made to the District by or on behalf of a student, or purchase required of a student, is defined as a fee for the purposes of this policy, with the following exceptions:

- Student fundraisers (see policy #374)
- Gifts (see policy #840)
- Fines
- “Resale items” purchased by the District and sold at cost to students as a convenience. (Resale items that are required to be purchased by students are not accepted.)
- Recommended general supplies (i.e.: pens, pencils, notebooks, clothing for P.E. class, etc.)
- Admission charged by the district to spectators, for entrance to school events such as plays, sporting events or other activities that feature student participation.

Unless permitted by statute, no fees shall be charged for participating in curriculum activities. In addition, no fees shall be charged for tuition/instruction costs, teacher’s salaries or benefits, buildings and maintenance, teaching apparatus (equipment such as computers, audio visual equipment, appliances, art equipment, tools and machines).

No student shall be denied participation in school activities due to financial need.

As required by law, fees for course materials, textbooks, and Advanced Placement examinations (if any) shall be waived for indigent students. Other fees may be waived for an indigent student as deemed necessary by their Principal and/or the District Administrator. An indigent student is a student unable to pay a fee due to one of the following:

- The student resides in a household eligible for free or reduced-price lunch under 42 USC 1758. Parents or guardians must voluntarily disclose this status to request a fee waiver under this condition.
- The student is homeless and eligible for assistance under the McKinney-Vento Act.
- The student resides in a group or foster home.

