

**Gifts and Bequests**

The Board of Education may accept any gift or bequest of money or property offered to the Office of Education for the benefit of any school or department administered by the Superintendent. While greatly appreciating suitable donations, the Board of Education discourages any gifts which may directly or indirectly impair its commitment to providing equal educational opportunities for all students in Office of Education programs.

The Board of Education shall carefully evaluate any conditions or restrictions imposed by the donor in light of the Office of Education's mission and operations. If the board feels the Office of Education will be unable to fully satisfy the donor's conditions, the gift shall not be accepted.

Upon being accepted and recognized by the Board of Education, all gifts and bequests shall become the property of the Office of Education. Donors are encouraged to donate gifts to the Office of Education rather than to a particular school or program operated by the office. At the Superintendent or designee's discretion, a gift may be used at a particular school or for a particular program.

*Legal reference:**EDUCATION CODE*

- 1834 Acquisition of materials of apparatus
- 1984 County board of education deemed as school district
- 35162 Power to sue, be sued, hold, and convey property
- 41030, et seq. Authority to invest surplus money from bequests or gifts
- 41031 Special fund or account
- 41032 et seq. Acceptance of gifts, donations, bequests, and devises