

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY: DONATIONS

DATE ADOPTED: May 6, 2025

PURPOSE:

The Colchester School District recognizes that individuals, businesses, and community organizations may wish to donate funds, services, supplies, and/or equipment to enhance or extend the programs in the schools or for student scholarships. This policy defines the parameters for accepting and managing these resources.

POLICY STATEMENT:

The Superintendent, or their designee, has the authority to accept gifts and donations made to the School District or to any school or program within the District. The Superintendent may also reserve the right to refuse to accept any gift that does not contribute to the achievement of the District's goals and priorities or when such ownership would adversely affect the District.

In no case shall the acceptance of a donation be considered an endorsement by the District of a commercial product, business enterprise or institution of learning.

There shall be no expectation of reciprocity for donations made to the District.

Resources accepted cannot cost the District more than the value of the resources received.

Any donation accepted by the Superintendent, or its designee, shall become District property and is subject to the same controls and regulation as are other District properties.

The District shall be responsible for the maintenance of any donation it accepts unless otherwise stipulated.

The District shall make every effort to honor the intent of the donor in the use of the donation, but it reserves the right to utilize any donation in the best interest of the District's educational program.

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