

**DISTRICT DONATIONS, AWARDS, GIFTS AND MEMORIALS**

The Board of Education recognizes that school districts are public bodies responsible for public funds. Public monies shall not be used to contribute to or for the support of private organizations or purposes. Private purposes include, but are not limited to, donations to civic organizations, local fund drives, and/or special community activities or projects.

The Board of Education also recognizes and appreciates the services of its employees. The Board believes the presentation of symbolic awards (e.g. certificates, plaques, pins, etc.) is an appropriate gesture for employees who resign or retire. On occasion, symbolic awards may also be presented to employees and/or school district patrons in recognition of their years of employment or for meritorious service to the District.

School district monies shall not be used for personal travel or entertainment, or for flowers or memorial gifts for employees, Board members or members of their immediate families.

Legal Ref.: Iowa Code 279.42; 279.8; 565.6.  
Attorney General Opinion 102 (1980).

Cross Ref.: 408.9 Employee Retirement

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