## FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

## **Background**

No student is to be denied the opportunity to participate in a course or specialty academy and/or activity associated with a course or specialty academy in which they are enrolled because of financial hardship. Financial hardship will not prevent a student from participating in a field trip provided that he/she fulfills the criteria established for the trip.

## **Procedures**

- 1. A District fee/deposit waiver procedure is in place in each school. The procedure is as follows.
  - 1.1. Any parent experiencing financial hardship may request a fee waiver by contacting a staff member of the school. No such request will be unreasonably denied.
  - 1.2. All requests are held in strict confidentiality, respecting the privacy of the family.
  - 1.3. Notification of District fee waiver procedures are to be placed on the school website. Notification of fee waiver procedures will be communicated to students and parents where any fees are being charged.

Reference: Section 20, 22, 65, 82, 82.1, 82.2, 82.3, 82.4, 85 School Act

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