

## STUDENT FEE GUIDELINES

It is recognized that some courses, programs and activities offered by schools may require the financial support of students or parents/guardians. At no point should schools ever charge more than is minimally necessary to meet the needs articulated below in (1).

- (1) Schools in the River East Transcona School Division may charge fees for, or require students and parents/guardians to provide:
  - (a) materials used in goods that are intended for the student to take home for personal use;
  - (b) the purchase of school supplies and equipment for a student's use;
  - (c) yearbooks and agenda planners;
  - (d) the rental of an instrument for a student's personal use;
  - (e) fees in respect to field trips, such as team trips or special events, to recover associated actual expenses only, including transportation, accommodation, meals, entrance fees and equipment rental but not cost of employees' salaries:
  - (f) appropriate personal clothing for school activities (such as gym wear, footwear, and outerwear), personal safety equipment and musical instruments or require a student to bring appropriate materials, supplies and equipment for their personal use at school.
- (2) Schools will give consideration to students who would be excluded due to financial hardship and whenever possible, provide fundraising, subsidies and/or reduced fees.
- (3) Schools will ensure that advisory councils, parent councils and/or student councils do not charge fees that would be in violation of this policy.
- (4) Schools must make available to parents a comprehensive fee schedule and/or a list of requirements before the start of each school year, with the exception of item (1)(e) above.

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