

Conflicts of Interest

Staff members shall not engage in, nor have a direct financial interest in, any activity which conflicts with his/her duties and responsibilities.

1. These activities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1.1 receiving economic benefit from selling or promoting the sale of goods or services to the students or their parents where the knowledge of the staff member's relationship to the district is in any way utilized to influence the sale;
- 1.2 receiving economic benefit from the sale of instructional and training materials and/or equipment where the district has specifically engaged a staff member(s) to develop such materials or equipment. In such instances, the district shall retain a proprietary interest;
- 1.3 encouraging a student who is enrolled in one (1) or more of the teacher's classes to take private lessons or to engage tutoring for fee from the staff member. Exceptions are during the summer and on special assignment for special education.
 - 1.3.1 No regular teacher may use school equipment for private tutoring without the consent of the administration.
 - 1.3.2 No private tutoring for which a fee is charged may be done by a regular teacher within the regular school day.
- 1.4 using or providing for others a list of names and home addresses obtained from school records or school-related contacts for purposes of identifying potential client or customer contacts;
- 1.5 participating in any way in the selection process for materials, books or equipment when an item developed by or authored by the staff member or a member of his/her family is under consideration for approval for district use;
- 1.6 being involved in the selection of an applicant or in the appointment, evaluation or supervision of any other staff member who is a family member;
- 1.7 using the interschool mail to promote sales of a product in which a staff member has a financial interest;
- 1.8 providing a staff or student directory for use in promoting sales of a product or service; or
- 1.9 purchasing or otherwise acquiring surplus district property where the staff member was involved in or had influence in the process of declaring the item(s) as surplus.

2. Permission

Written permission from the superintendent or principal is necessary when:

- 2.1 a certificated staff member wishes to tutor or give private lessons for a fee to any student who is enrolled in one (1) or more of the teacher's classes; or
- 2.2 a certificated staff member, such as a communication disorder specialist, psychologist or specialized music teacher, wishes to give private instruction for a fee to any student who is concurrently being served by that individual in the regular school program.

Cross Reference:

(cf.: 1610 – Conflicts of Interest)

(cf.: 2317 – Distribution of Advertising)

- (cf.: 2323 – Contests for Students)
- (cf.: 4310 – Public Access to Staff, Students, School)
- (cf.: 4311 – Distribution of Materials and Contracts with Staff Including Electronic Mail)
- (cf.: 4320 – Distribution of Materials and Contacts with Students Promoted by Outside Agencies)
- (cf.: 4321 – Contests, Advertising and Promotions)
- (cf.: 4322 – Public Performances)
- (cf.: 4323 – Endorsement of Educational Materials)
- (cf.: 4324 – Gifts to Staff)
- (cf.: 4412 – Political Relationships with Governmental Agencies)
- (cf.: 5210 – Assignment, Re-assignment, and Transfer)

Legal Reference:

- RCW 28A.410.090 Revocation or suspension of certificate or permit to teach Investigation by superintendent of public instruction—Mandatory revocation for crimes against children.
- WAC180-87-090 Improper remunerative conduct

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