

GIFTS TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL

No school employee is to accept any commission or gift from individuals or companies seeking to sell equipment or materials required in the district's operations. These operations include the purchase of materials and supplies for the construction, repair and maintenance of the school plant; for the conducting of classes; for school organizations, such as clubs, and for comparable items.

This prohibition shall not be construed to prevent two kinds of gestures:

1. Vendors from paying reasonable costs of providing opportunities for school officers and employees to see or hear about new ideas, equipment and/or materials. Nominal gifts such as inscribed pens, erasers, key rings, etc. are deemed acceptable. A lunch paid for by a vendor may not exceed \$15 per person.
2. Nor shall it be construed to prevent pupils and parents from presenting token and inexpensive gifts to staff members in recognition of special occasions.

Collections from students by class parents for gifts or parties are prohibited.

The Norwood Board of Education shall consider as always welcome and in most circumstances more appropriate the writing of letters to staff members expressing gratitude or appreciation.

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Legal Reference:

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| <u>N.J.S.A.</u> | 18S:6-8 | Persons Officially Connected with Schools May Not Benefit or Receive Rewards from Sale of Textbooks, Supplies, etc. |
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Cross References:

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| 4112.8 | Nepotism |
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