

CROWDFUNDING

This policy applies to the use of any form of crowdfunding for the financial benefit or gain of the Western Wayne Schools (“Corporation”) – be it a specific teacher, classroom, grade level, department, school, or curricular or extra-curricular activity. For purposes of this policy, "crowdfunding" refers to a campaign to collect typically small amounts of money from a large number of individuals to finance a project or fundraise for a specific cause, typically through the internet.

Crowdfunding activities aimed at raising funds for a specific classroom or school activity, including extra-curricular activity, or to obtain supplemental resources (e.g., supplies or equipment) that are not required to provide a free appropriate public education to any students in the classroom may be permitted, but only with the specific approval of the Superintendent or his or her designee.

All crowdfunding campaigns must support educational, instructional, or extra-curricular based initiatives. All crowdfunding sites utilized must be capable of providing a reliable contribution report which staff must submit to the Superintendent or designee upon request. Funds and/or property received through crowdfunding becomes the property of the Corporation and will remain in the classroom. Any items purchased with the funds received from crowdfunding must fit/be compatible with Corporation technology. If the teacher moves to another school corporation, the materials remain in the school building. Crowdfunding is limited to a maximum of \$50,000 per solicitation.

All crowdfunding activities are subject to this policy and other applicable Board policies or administrative guidelines including, but not limited to, Corporation-Support Organizations and Relations with Special Interest Groups.

Western Wayne Schools, Wayne County, Indiana

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