

Business/Non-Instructional Operations

Gifts to the School

Because all gifts and/or donations to the school system become the property and responsibility of the school district, the Board shall have knowledge of and recognize gifts received.

The New Milford Board of Education is grateful for gifts and donations given to the school system, whether such gifts and donations be in the form of money, services, programs, equipment or other items of value. The Superintendent of Schools shall be authorized to accept, on behalf of the Board, gifts to the school system up to a cumulative value from one source of one thousand dollars (\$1000), and shall notify the Board of such gifts at the next regular Board meeting. The Board shall approve gift/gifts valued at one thousand dollars (\$1000) or more; as well as gifts that shall likely involve future cost to the school system regardless of value.

When gifts and donations are accepted, the Board of Education shall have care and custody of such items, and they shall be expended or used at its discretion; however, should the donor restrict the use of a gift or donation, the board shall honor the restriction or return the property to the donor.

1. Individuals, groups, or corporations wishing to give a gift or donation to the New Milford Schools shall direct their offer in writing or in person to the Office of the Superintendent.
2. Receipt of gifts and donations by the Superintendent shall be acknowledged in writing by the Superintendent's secretary; receipt of gifts and donations by the Board of Education shall be acknowledged in writing by the Board Secretary or Assistant Secretary.
3. The New Milford school system shall not be inappropriately influenced or constrained due to gifts and/or donations from an individual, group or corporate donor.

Any donation of teaching services by private sector specialists shall be in compliance with Connecticut General Statutes § 10-21c and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

If a donation of technology includes new computers or used computers that are not more than two years old at the time of the donation, the Board of Education may accept such donation in accordance with Connecticut General Laws 10-228b.

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Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

- 10-21c. Donation of teaching services by private sector specialists
- 10-76c. Receipt and use of money and personal property
- 10-228b. Tax credits for donation of computers to schools
- 10-237 School activity funds

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