

## Public Funds Policy

Allowable instructional purposes for the use of ISD funds or other public funds include any activities deemed necessary to carry out the governmental functions of the district, including expenditures for operating purposes, other than those prohibited under this policy, other Board policies, administrative regulations or state and federal law. (PA 417 MCL 380.634.) Intermediate school district funds or other public funds under the control of the intermediate school district may not be used to:

- purchase alcoholic beverages;
- purchase jewelry;
- purchase gifts;
- purchase fees for golf;
- purchase any item, the purchase or possession of which is illegal;
- make cash donations to a community and/or non-profit organization.

Public funds may be used for purchasing the following for the recognition of an employee, volunteer, or pupil, if the value of the purchase does not exceed \$100 per recipient:

- plaque;
- medal;
- trophy;
- other awards.

The \$100 monetary threshold amount is adjusted for inflation each year and announced by the Department of Education on or before December 15 of each year.

### *Section 380.634 of the Revised School Code*

The statute defines “public funds” to mean “...funds generated from taxes levied under this act (Revised School Code), state appropriations of state or federal funds, or payments made to the intermediate school district by a constituent district or any other person, but does not include voluntary contributions made for a specific purpose by an intermediate school board member, an intermediate school district employee, another individual or a private entity.”

Statutory Reference: PA 417  
MC 380.634

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