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510.1 SCHOOL ACTIVITY FEES

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a formula for adjusting the district's activity fees so they continually reflect a fixed percentage of the district's total activities budget. As costs associated with district activities increase, fees must increase to cover a repeatable portion of the overall activities budget. The activities budget covers a variety of costs, including, but not necessarily limited to, costs related to transportation to extracurricular events and activities, officials, coaches, equipment, and uniforms.

II. AUTHORITY

Minnesota's Pupil Fee Law authorizes the school board to require payment of fees in the following areas: admission fees or charges for extracurricular activities, where attendance is optional and where the admission fees or charges a student must pay to attend or participate in an extracurricular activity is the same, regardless of whether the student is enrolled in a public or a home school; and transportation of students to and from extracurricular activities conducted at locations other than school, where attendance is optional.

III. AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENT OF ACTIVITY FEE AMOUNTS

- A. **Percentage of Budget:** Activity fees, with the exception of hockey fees, will cover no more than 20% and no less than 18% of the activities budget.
- B. **Automatic Increase:** When the cumulative fee revenue represents 18% of the budget, the district will increase activity fees, without further action from the school board, so the fees cover 20% of the activities budget.
- C. **Family Cap:** The district will cap the family activity fee so it does not exceed 5 times the amount of the individual activity fee, which is established by the formula stated in this policy.
- D. **Individual Cap:** The school district will cap each individual fee at 2.5 times the individual fee as established by the aforementioned formula.

Legal Authority: Minnesota Statutes section 123B.36

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