

POLICY: 501.13

STUDENT FEES AND FEE WAIVER

Student fees, fines, and charges shall be determined by the Board on an annual basis. Fees may be assessed for: a) textbook rental or the textbook may be sold to students at cost; b) eye protective devices; c) ear protective devices; d) driver's education instruction; e) summer school tuition; f) transportation for resident students not entitled to free transportation, and g) school supplies (items deemed not essential to the instruction of a course/subject.)

A fee waiver shall be granted for students whose families meet the financial eligibility guidelines for free meals, the Family Investment Program (FIP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), transportation assistance under open enrollment, or if the student is in foster care. The fees may be partially waived if the student's family meets the financial eligibility criteria for reduced priced meals. A waiver request for total or partial fee reduction must be officially documented to school officials. Families who believe they may qualify for a waiver should contact the Building Principal and request a waiver-request form.

Students whose families are experiencing temporary financial difficulty may apply at any time. Families who believe they may qualify for a temporary waiver should contact the Building Principal and request a waiver-request form.

Fee waivers do not carry over from school year to school year. They must be annually requested.

Fees for Drivers Education will be waived or reduced in accordance with the student's eligibility. Should a student fail the course and need to retake it, the fee would not be waived and it would be at the student/parent expense. Exceptions would only be considered under circumstances beyond the student's control. A failure due to bad behavior or intentional non-attendance would not apply as an exception.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Code of Iowa, Chapter 256.7

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