

REVISED

STUDENT FEES, FINES, AND CHARGES

The School Committee recognizes the need for student fees to fund certain school activities. It also recognizes that some students may not be able to pay these fees.

A school may exact a fee or charge only upon Board approval. The schools, however, may:

- Charge students enrolled in certain courses for the cost of materials used in projects that will become the property of the student.
- Charge for lost and damaged books, materials, supplies, and equipment issued by the district.

Students who are indigent are exempt from paying fees. However, indigent students are not exempt from charges for lost and damaged books, locks, materials, supplies, and equipment.

All student fees and charges will be listed and described annually in each school's student handbook or in some other written form and distributed to each student. The notice will advise students that fees are to be paid and of the penalties for their failure to pay them. Permissible penalties include denial of participation in extra class activities that do not impact academic standing, such as clubs, sports, proms, school government, school plays, etc. while the student is enrolled in this district. This does NOT apply to academic help or academic tutorial programs.

Parking fees must be paid at the beginning of the school year. All fees, fines, and charges will be reviewed annually by the School Committee.

SOURCE: M.A.S.C.

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