



Policy Confirming Restriction on the Provision of Funds or Other Thing of Value to Students, Parents or Guardians

POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of The Cottonwood School that The Cottonwood School shall not provide any funds or thing of value to any student or his or her parent or guardian that a school district could not legally provide to a similarly situated student, or his or her parent or guardian. The Cottonwood School does not and shall not provide, for example, “sign up bonuses” to parents or guardians or other incentives unrelated to education.

Additionally, a student, parent or guardian shall not use his or her status as a student, parent or guardian with The Cottonwood School in order to obtain funds or thing of value from The Cottonwood School. For example, this policy prohibits an individual from utilizing his or her status as a parent or guardian to obtain a vendor contract with The Cottonwood School for compensation. It also prohibits an individual from utilizing his or her status as a parent or guardian to refer or encourage any students enrolled in The Cottonwood School, or their parents or guardians, to select that individual or his or her company or another provider of services, in connection with the student’s education at The Cottonwood School, resulting in the individual’s receipt of funds or thing of value from The Cottonwood School.

PROCEDURES

The prior approval of the Senior Director or his or her designee must be obtained for any of the following in order to ensure that it does not conflict with this policy:

1. Any funds or thing of value provided to a student, parent or guardian which has not previously been approved. This applies in any situation in which a student, parent or guardian would any funds or thing of value, whether in their capacity as a student, parent, guardian, vendor, service provider or other circumstance.
2. Any proposed incentive to be offered to students or parents.

In requesting approval, the educational purpose of any such funds, thing of value or incentive must be provided to the Senior Director or his or her designee.

Approved by The Cottonwood School Board of Directors on March 2, 2019.