

Policy

GIFTS TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL

The board of education believes that staff members should not receive gifts from pupils and discourages pupil, parents/guardians and other patrons of the district from the routine presentation of gifts to district employees.

When a pupil feels a spontaneous desire to present a gift to a staff member, the gift shall not be elaborate or unduly expensive.

The board shall consider as always welcome, and in most cases more appropriate than gifts, the writing of letters to staff members expressing gratitude or appreciation.

This shall not be interpreted as intended to discourage acts of generosity in unusual situations, and simple remembrances expressive of affection or gratitude shall not be regarded as violations of this rule.

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Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties.

Thomas Cluff et al. v. Lower Cape May Regional High School Board of Education. 1972 S.L.D. 560

Silver v. Hillside Township Board of Education. 1977 S.L.D.
(April 4), aff'd by State Board Oct. 12, 1977