

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; **principal or designee will assist families who request, through a written waiver, payment plan or reduction of fees.** ~~No student will be denied access into any program because of inability to pay these supplementary charges.~~

A school may exact a fee or charge only upon ~~Board~~ **School Committee** 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.

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

All student fees and charges, both optional and required, will be listed and described annually **as part of the each school's fee schedule for primary and middle schools. High School fee schedules will be distributed by the assigned appropriate department, as determined by the building principal or designee.** Permissible penalties **for non-payment** include the **loss of privilege to participate in extracurricular activities.**

~~In order to participate in any extracurricular activities, all outstanding debt must be resolved before advancing to the next level (primary to middle, etc.)~~

All outstanding debts must be resolved (payment, payment plan or waiver) in order for students to participate in any extracurricular activities.

~~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.. withholding of report cards until payment is made or denial of participation in extra class activities while the student is enrolled in this District.~~

~~Any fee or charge due to any school in the District and not paid at the end of the school year will be carried forward to the next succeeding school year, as such debts are considered to be debts of the student to the District and not to a particular school.~~