

POLICY DA

Board of Education Las Cruces Public Schools

Related Entries: DA-R; DI; DI-R
Responsible Office: Chief Financial Officer

FISCAL MANAGEMENT GOALS

I. PURPOSE

The Board expects that the finances of the District, both revenues and expenditures in all accounts, are managed with the highest level of professionalism.

II. BACKGROUND

The Board of Education recognizes that public resources are the foundational support of the school system and its educational programs. Therefore, the Board of Education is committed to the efficient use of these resources to provide for the operation and maintenance of school facilities and equipment at the highest level of safety, and to provide a healthy and safe learning and working environment for the students, staff and the public.

III. POSITION

- A. Las Cruces Public Schools will maintain a transparent, sound and responsible financial plan that advances student achievement, supports family and community engagement and promotes a safe school environment.
- B. The Superintendent shall keep the Board informed of financial issues so that changes can be made to the district budget, as necessary. The Board also expects and requires timely reports, which are essential to the district's fiscal management.
- C. Financial planning is essential toward fulfilling the district's mission. As such, these plans will be developed with input from all segments of the district community.
 - 1. All financial reports provided to the School Board shall also be readily accessible to the public via the district's website.
- D. Throughout the school year, the Board and Superintendent shall:
 - 1. explore all practical sources of dollar income;

2. guide the expenditure of funds in order to extract the greatest educational returns.
- E. The Superintendent shall enact quality accounting and reporting procedures that adhere to state and federal laws and sound accounting practice.

IV. REVIEW

This policy shall be reviewed on an ongoing basis in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

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Board of Education, President

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Date Approved

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Legal Reference: