Purpose

To describe the State Schools’ policy regarding student fees, fines, and charges.

Applicability

This policy applies to the Atlanta Area School for the Deaf, the Georgia Academy for the Blind, and the Georgia School for the Deaf.

Policy

The Office of State Schools shall authorize the collection of student fees for materials, excluding textbooks for students at the State Schools. The School Director of the State School may request permission to charge an activity fee to support various student activities and events. This policy does not apply to the administration of the media center/library where nominal fees may be assessed against student for overdue, and/or damaged books.

Procedures

1. The School Director shall develop procedures for the collection of student fees, fines, and charges.

2. Only programs, activities, projects, services, or curricula that are outside of or expand upon those identified by the legislature, which are "extracurricular," may be considered as not being a part of a publicly-funded education, and thus, a reasonable fee may be assessed, but only against those students who participate in or take advantage of those activities.

3. The purpose for charging the fee must be reasonable and the fee must be necessary to meet the expenses of the school.

Authority and/or Cross-Reference

- IJJA (Provision of Textbooks to pupils)
- R.C. 3313.642,9.38