

School Operations
Eddie T. Pearson, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF BOARD RULE: FINAL READING
6Gx13- 6A-1.25, AUTHORIZED STUDENT FEES IN SECONDARY
SCHOOLS**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, announced on August 23, 2000, its intention to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.25, Authorized Student Fees in Secondary Schools, at the meeting of October 11, 2000.

The Notice of Intended Action was published in the *Miami Daily Business Review* on August 28, 2000, posted in various places for public information, and mailed to various organizations representing persons affected by the amended rule and to individuals requesting notification.

The time to request a hearing or protest the adoption of this rule has elapsed.

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, this amended rule is presented to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, for adoption and authorization to file the rule in the official records of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Attached are the Notice of Intended Action and the amended rule. Changes from the current rule are indicated by underscoring words to be added and ~~striking through~~ words to be deleted.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, adopt amended Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.25, Authorized Student Fees in Secondary Schools, and authorize the Superintendent to file the rule with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, to be effective October 11, 2000.

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NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, announced on August 23, 2000, its intention to amend Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.25, Authorized Student Fees in Secondary Schools, at its meeting of October 11, 2000.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To increase the sale price of the School Yearbooks in the middle school not to exceed \$25.00.

SUMMARY: Establishes authorized student fees in secondary schools.

SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH RULEMAKING IS AUTHORIZED:
230.22(2); 230.23(20) F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED, INTERPRETED, OR MADE SPECIFIC: 228.051 F.S.; 6A-1.0991 FAC.

IF REQUESTED, A HEARING WILL BE HELD DURING THE BOARD MEETING OF October 11, 2000, which begins at 1:00 p.m., in the School Board Auditorium, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132. Persons requesting such a hearing or who wish to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), F.S., must do so in writing by September 18, 2000, to the Superintendent of Schools, Room 912, at the same address.

ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL THE DECISION made by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, with respect to this action will need to ensure the preparation of a verbatim of the proceedings, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

A COPY OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED RULE is available for inspection and copying at cost by the public in Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

Originator: Dr. Fred C. Rodgers
Supervisor: Mr. Eddie T. Pearson
Date: August 11, 2000

AUTHORIZED STUDENT FEES IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS

The fees charged may be in an amount determined by each school but must not exceed the maximums listed below for each area.

Fee schedules for each school year are to be approved in writing by the region superintendent. The approved fee schedule bearing the signature of the region superintendent is to be filed for audit by each school.

An adjusted fee schedule will be provided by the principal for those students having difficulty meeting these fee obligations.

I. Special Fees and Charges

A. Art

Not to exceed \$2.00 per semester for materials except the cost of materials for special projects which become the property of the student.

B. Honors, Extras and Special Programs (senior high only)

Additional fees as required for advanced or special materials.

C. Industrial Education, Technology Education and Family and Consumer Sciences

Material ticket for the cost of materials used in projects which become the property of the student. Each student will purchase material ticket; a refund will be made at the end of the year if the student does not use the entire amount of the ticket.

D. Music

1. Music (Instrumental and Vocal)

\$4.00 per year

2. Instrument (School instrument repair/replacement)

\$6.00 per year

3. Band Uniforms (senior high only)

\$4.50 per semester. These monies may be used for dry cleaning and other maintenance services as needed for band uniforms.

4. Vocal Music (senior high only)

\$2.00 per semester. These monies may be used for dry cleaning and other maintenance services as needed for chorus robes.

E. Physical Education

1. Towel Fee

Maximum yearly charge per student not to exceed \$5.00 per year where no school laundry facilities are provided; \$3.00 for schools with laundries. The amount of this fee should be such that no unusual balances will accrue. No expenditure will be made from this account except for actual cost of laundering or laundry supplies and equipment, replacement of lost or damaged towels, toilet soap, and shower room supplies.

2. Gym Clothes

Purchase of inexpensive gym uniform required. Prices vary from year to year, but uniforms must be sold at school cost.

3. Locks for Lockers

Locks may be rented or sold. Sales will be at school cost, and the maximum yearly rental will be 1/3 of the cost. Funds from this source may be used to replace locks and for maintenance and purchase of lockers. This statement also applies to corridor locks.

F. Science--Breakage Deposit

Breakage fee of \$2.00 per semester for laboratory courses. Balance to be refunded.

G. Workbooks, Business Technology Education Practice Sets,
Textbooks and Paperbacks

Any such book which the student is required to purchase as his/her personal property shall be sold at the school's cost.

II. Optional Fees

A. Publications

1. Student Handbooks and ID Cards

If ID Cards are sold to students, the cost must be approved by region superintendent.

2. Student Directories

Maximum price of \$1.00 per copy for optional purchase by students. Parental permission must be secured prior to publication of directory information.

3. School Yearbook

Sold to those students desiring a copy at as near cost as possible. Sale price should not exceed ~~\$45.00~~ 25.00 in middle schools. Sale price should be as near the average net price cost of the book as possible in senior high schools.

B. School Activities (Clubs, Homeroom, etc.)

Dues and assessments should be kept at a minimum and must be approved by the principal.

C. Insurance

Purchase price set when company is approved by the Board.

III. Refunds

A. Deposits

Unused material charge deposits (material tickets) and

breakage charge deposits (such as science) are to be refunded at the end of the school term or at the time a student transfers.

B. Special Fees

Special fees and charges will not be transferred between secondary schools when a student transfers within the county. When the transfer slip is marked "fees paid," the receiving school will not charge the transferring student any special fees and charges.

C. Out-of-County Transfers

For secondary students transferring out of the county the following percentage of use fees (musical instruments, uniforms or robes, towels, locks) will be refunded:

Transfer during first nine weeks	75% refund
Transfer during second nine weeks	50% refund
Transfer after second nine weeks	No refund

IV. Use of Fees

In accordance with Board Rule all fees and charges collected are to be used only for the purpose collected. Where necessary, fees must be adjusted downward to avoid accumulation of excessive carry-over balances. When the purchase of any item is required, it must be sold to the student at school cost.

Specific Authority: 230.22(2); 230.23(20) F.S.

Law Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: 228.051 F.S.; 6A-1.0991 FAC

History

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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