

Allen Village/Community Relations

Crowdfunding

Allen Village School Administration must approve the request of all gifts from crowd-funding sources. Administration input can be exercised in the request to prevent conflict of FERPA issues, intellectual property policies, digital photo sharing, etc.

Prior to crowd-funding campaigns being started on the Internet, the employee must go through an approval process with the District that includes: completion of a form that details the nature of the request, educational benefits and how the materials requested will advance the mission of the District. The District reserves the right to deny any request to campaign.

All gifts should be educational and be for the sole purpose and benefit of the Allen Village School District. Campaign descriptions on websites for crowd-funding will follow the guidelines of displaying: how funds will be spent, the description of how the gift will be used in the classroom, and comply with deadlines for when materials should be purchased. Donations in excess of the requested amount will not be allowed. Following the campaign, the employee will execute a plan of accountability of the funds to share with the Donors if required on the website. Campaigns for employees to use funds for traveling will not be permitted nor any general funding campaigns.

Any property received from crowd-funding belongs to the District even if the employee leaves the District. The employee will acknowledge approval and handling of money and materials pursuant to district policy. In addition, the Board will ensure that the acceptance of the gifts does not:

1. Entail undesirable or excessive costs to the District
2. Promote the use of violence, drugs, tobacco, alcohol, other unhealthy life choices or the violation of any Allen Village School policy
3. Imply endorsement of any business or product or unduly commercialize or politicize the school environment