

# POLICY

## BOARD OF EDUCATION BAYONNE

TEACHING STAFF MEMBERS

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The Board of Education requires that no school employee directly or indirectly, solicit any gift or accept or receive any gift, whether in the form of money, services, loan, travel, entertainment, hospitality, thing or promise, or any other form, under circumstances and of value that it could reasonably be inferred that the gift was intended to influence him or her in the performance of official duties or was intended as a reward for any official action on his or her part.

Pupils and their parents will be discouraged from the routine presentation of gifts to district employees on occasions such as Christmas. Where a pupil feels a spontaneous desire to present a gift to a staff member, the gift will not be elaborate or unduly expensive. The Board shall consider as always welcome, and in most circumstances more appropriate, the writing of letters to staff members expressing gratitude or appreciation.

This policy shall not be interpreted as intending to discourage acts of generosity in unusual situations.

Adopted: 28 July 1997

