

UNITED SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: FINANCES

TITLE: INVESTMENT OF
DISTRICT FUNDS

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609. INVESTMENT OF DISTRICT FUNDS	
1. Purpose	<p>It shall be the policy of the Board to optimize its return through investment of cash balances in such a way as to minimize noninvested balances and to maximize return on investments.</p> <p>The primary objectives of investment activities, in priority order, shall be:</p> <p>Legality - All investments shall be made in accordance with applicable laws of Pennsylvania.</p> <p>Safety - Safety of principal shall be of highest priority. Preservation of capital in the portfolio of investments shall be ensured through the mitigation of credit risk and interest rate risk.</p> <p>Liquidity - Investments shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that are reasonably anticipated. A fiscal year operations anticipated cash flow shall be developed so that investments can be made as early as possible, with maturities concurrent with anticipated cash demands.</p> <p>Yield - Investments shall be made with the objective of attaining a market-average rate of return throughout the budgetary and economic cycles, taking into account the investment risk constraints and liquidity needs.</p>
2. Authority SC 440.1, 621, 622, 623	<p>All investments of the school district made by an officer and/or employee of the district shall be made in accordance with this policy and a Board-approved investment program.</p>
3. Definitions	<p>Short-term - any period thirteen (13) months or less.</p> <p>Long-term - any period exceeding forty-eight (48) months' duration.</p> <p>Mid-range - any period between short-term and long-term.</p>

<p>SC 440.1 72 P.S. Sec. 3836 et seq</p>	<p>4. When district funds are invested in any one (1) issuer other than designated depository accounts (which includes external investment pools), and securities issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government (owned directly by the district), the amount of the investment shall be notified of such investment monthly.</p> <p>5. For purposes of interest rate disclosure in the annual financial report, the method of determining interest rate risk shall be based on weighted average maturity.</p> <p><u>Protection Of Bank Balances In Excess Of FDIC Limits</u></p> <p>When district cash is deposited in an authorized depository, if the cash balance exceeds the insurance limits, district funds shall be collateralized pursuant to law.</p> <p>The collateral shall be limited to investments authorized by law.</p> <p>It shall be the responsibility of the Business Manager to verify with the depository the value of the instrument(s) based on the instrument being “marked to market.”</p> <p>Verification of the value of the collateral instrument(s) shall occur annually.</p> <p>Following a review of valuation, the Business Manager may request an additional review by the district’s investment advisors or financial consultant, and shall require additional collateral if the existing collateral has declined in value and exposes the district to potential loss of principal. The Board shall be advised of the status of the valuation review and any additional collateral at the first meeting following the review.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 218, 440.1, 621, 622, 623</p> <p>Local Government Unit Debt Act – 53 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 8001 et seq.</p> <p>Public Officials and Employee Ethics Act – 65 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 1101 et seq.</p> <p>Security of Public Deposits – 72 P.S. Sec. 3836 et seq.</p> <p>Investment Companies, Title 17, Code of Federal Regulations – 17 CFR Part 270</p> <p>Governmental Accounting Standards Board, Statement No. 40</p> <p>Board Policy – 000, 619</p>
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