

POLICY 3.31 FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

To ensure that school fees do not become a barrier to students, the Superintendent shall establish administrative procedures to support families who are experiencing financial hardship.

Financial hardship processes must be accessible and incorporate the principles of fairness, respect, dignity, confidentiality and sensitivity.

Guidelines

1. Any communications with students and parents/guardians and caregivers regarding fees and deposits must include a statement explaining that fees will not be a barrier to student participation in school activities.
2. Students, parents and staff will be advised regarding financial hardship processes through the district website and school information such as the school course selection handbook, student handbook/agenda and parent newsletters.