

FINANCIAL RECORDS

Financial records of the school district are maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as required or modified by law. School district monies are received and expended from the appropriate fund and/or account. The funds and accounts of the school district will include, but not be limited to:

Governmental fund type:

- General fund
- Special revenue fund
 - Management levy fund
 - Physical plant and equipment levy fund (PERL)
 - Public education and recreation levy fund
 - Student activity fund
- Capital projects fund
- Physical Plant and Equipment Levy Fund (PPEL)
- Secure and Advanced Vision for Education (SAVE)
- Debit service fund

Proprietary fund type:

- Enterprise fund
 - School nutrition fund
 - Child care fund
- Internal service fund

Fiduciary funds:

- Trust
 - Expendable trust funds
 - Nonexpendable trust funds
 - Pension trust funds
- Agency Fund

Account groups

- General capital assets account group
- General long-term debt account group

The general fund is used primarily for the education program. Special revenue funds are used to account for monies restricted to a specific use by law. Capital projects funds are used to account for financial resources to acquire or construct major capital facilities (other than those of proprietary funds and trust funds) and to account for revenues from SAVE. A debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest. Proprietary funds account for operations of the school district operated similar to private business, or they account for the costs of providing goods

and services provided by one department to other departments on a cost reimbursement basis. Fiduciary funds are used to account for monies or assets held by the school district on behalf of, or in trust for, another entity. The account groups are the accounting records for capital assets and long-term debt.

The board may establish other funds in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and may certify other taxes to be levied for the funds as provided by state law. The status of each fund must be included in the annual report.

It is the responsibility of the superintendent to implement this policy and bring necessary changes in the maintenance of the school district's financial records to the attention of the board.

Note: The list of funds above does not include the "Library levy fund," which is only available to one school district. The school district eligible to levy the library levy must add this fund to its policy.

NOTE: For additional information about school district fund structure, please see Chapter 9 of the "Uniform Administrative Procedures for Iowa School District and AEA Officials," located on the "Uniform Administrative Procedures Manual" [section](#) of the Iowa Department of Education's website.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 11.23; 298A

Cross reference: 701.2 Transfer of Funds
701.4 Governmental Accounting Practices & Regulations
802.4 Capital Assets
802.4R1 Capital Assets-Regulation
802.4R2 Capital Assets- Management System Definitions

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