

GAMES OF CHANCE ON DISTRICT PROPERTY

Colorado Springs School District 11 (the District) schools and departments are not authorized to conduct formalized games of chance for a school fundraiser. This policy is written to help principals, teachers, and staff, to coordinate with PTA's, PTO's and other school sponsoring organizations in administering Games of Chance, such as bingo and raffles that benefit District schools or related organizations. Organizers are reminded to review Colorado Springs School District 11 Board of Education (the Board) Policy DFG regarding fundraisers and applicable state statutes for other potential requirements. Games of chance are defined as activities that pay cash or cash-equivalent prizes based on a chance outcome or result.

Operation of Games of Chance for Fundraiser Purposes

Bingo and raffles are games of chance that must comply with regulations of all local authorities, including District, city and state governments. Consult with the Colorado Secretary of State and Department of Revenue to determine applicable laws and regulations. PTAs, Booster Clubs and Other School Support Organizations (hereafter called School Sponsor Organizations) must have a license to operate a bingo or raffle game.

The School Sponsor Organization may not join with another organization in the operation of bingo or raffles. Only the organization authorized to conduct a game of chance shall operate such a game, or participate in the promotion, supervision, or any other phase of such game. No individual, corporation, partnership or other legal entity except the organization authorized to conduct a bingo game shall hold a financial interest in the conduct of such game of chance.

All games of chance held on District property must pay a minimal utility reimbursement fee to the District to cover the cost of utilities in the building during the event.

Legal Raffles for School Sponsor Organizations

Forms and information on how to conduct a legal raffle can be obtained by going to the Colorado Secretary of State's website.

A completed registration form and registration fee must be submitted to the State in a timely manner. A separate Nonprofit Raffle Report must be completed for each raffle conducted during a reporting year.

Raffles may include but are not limited to 50/50, raffles, donation drawings, ducky derby and cow chip bingo.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 12-9-101 through 12-9-114

CROSS REFS.: DFG, Revenues Generated From School or District Activities and Fundraisers
DFG-R, Regulation to Revenues Generated From School or District Activities and Fundraisers