

Laguna Beach Unified School District

Submit completed form to Superintendent's Office by September 30, 2011.



Monitoring Student Fees, Donations, and Fundraising Guidelines Compliance

Date: _____

Section 5 of Article IX of the State of California Constitution guarantees students a “free public education.”

The State Supreme Court concluded in the 1984 case of *Hartzell v. Connell* (35 Cal.3d.899 (1984)), “that all educational activities carried on by public school districts, extra-curricular as well as curricular, must be without cost to the students who participate in such activities.” This same ruling found that “mandatory fees for participating in such extra-curricular activities as drama, music, and athletic competition were illegal under the State Constitution.”

I, _____, executive director/president of _____ serving

_____ School, confirm that throughout the year I will commit to:

- Meet with the site administrator(s) and/or participate in annual training to review guidelines for fund-raising efforts.
- Provide or facilitate participation in student-fee guidelines training for all individuals coordinating fund-raising activities connected to our organizations.
- Review the organization’s website for compliance with a guarantee of a “free public education”.
- Establish a practice of embedding language that reinforces parents/guardians’ understanding of the guarantee of a “free public education” within any publication that seeks donations.
- Review fundraising documents prior to their distribution (in collaboration with the site administrator) to ensure compliance with the appropriate donation language.

Support Organization Executive Director/President’s Signature

Date