



NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES: Purchasing Principles

Each school within the Baltimore County Public Schools, as well as each Board member, employee, or volunteer, has a right and a responsibility to attempt to secure high-quality instructional and support materials and services for students. In doing so, those involved will be dealing with suppliers, manufacturers, contractors, and others doing business with the school system.

The competitive nature of public purchasing and the efficient use of public funding requires that ethical standards be incorporated into all purchasing functions. Accordingly, all Board members, employees, and volunteers of the school system are subject to the Board of Education's ethics code.

It is the responsibility of the Office of Purchasing to establish procedures to ensure the ethical integrity of the procurement process.

Related Policies:                    Board of Education Policy 3200, Purchases from  
Minority and Small Business Enterprise;  
Board of Education Policy 7460, Purchases from  
Minority Businesses;  
Board of Education Policy Series 8000, Internal Board  
Operations, Sub Series 8360, Ethics Code

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