WINOOSKI SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY ON PREVENTION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN PROCUREMENT

It is the policy of the Winooski School Board that all purchasing and contracting comply with state and federal laws.

No employee, officer, or agent of the Winooski School District may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a purchase or contract if that person has a real, perceived, or apparent conflict of interest. Any employee, officer or agent with a real, perceived or apparent conflict of interest shall notify the superintendent of the conflict and not participate in the selection, award or administration of the purchase or contract at issue. The superintendent or his or her designee will develop written procedures to implement this policy.

A conflict of Interest arises if an employee, officer, agent, immediate family member, partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a direct or indirect financial or other interest in, or a tangible personal benefit from a vendor considered for a purchase or contract.

An employee will not solicit or accept any favor, gratuity, or anything of monetary value from such vendors which exceeds a $100.00 value.

In the event of a violation of this policy, the district or supervisory union may take disciplinary action against the employee, officer or agent according to procedures in the (district/supervisory union) personnel manual and/or collective bargaining agreement.

PROCEDURES: (also referred to as rules or regulations) are the specific directions that indicate exactly how school personnel and others will carry out the policies adopted by the School Board. Procedures will be developed by the Superintendent in consultation with staff and are attached. Procedures may change more frequently than the underlying policy and do not require adoption by the Board.

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Cross Reference(s):

NOTE: This policy satisfies the federal regulatory requirement in 2 CFR 200.318. Alternatively, the district or supervisory union may fulfill this legal requirement by developing “written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award and administration of contracts.”