



Student Fee Policy

Permissible Student Fees

Students shall not be charged a fee as a condition of enrollment in school or as a condition of attendance in any course that is part of the academic portion of CMA's educational program except as authorized by law. Among the fees which the board may legally authorize are the following:

1. Tuition as Authorized by Law
 - a. Example: Preschool tuition for non-UPK or partially funded UPK seats.
2. Fees for Textbooks and Expendable Supplies and Materials
 - a. CMA may charge fees that are reasonably necessary for and reasonably related to the actual cost of textbooks or expendable supplies not provided free of charge. Fees for expendable supplies and materials shall relate directly to the actual cost of providing these materials to the student.
3. Certain fees for continuation, evening, and community education programs in accordance with C.R.S. 22-32-118.
 - a. Example: Summer school, community education programs
4. Miscellaneous Fees
 - a. Miscellaneous fees may be collected on a voluntary basis as a condition of participation or attendance at a school sponsored activity or program not within the academic portion of the educational program. The fee schedule shall clearly state the activity from which the student would be excluded if the fee is not paid.
 - b. Students participating in activities which are not required by the teacher or used in the determination of a grade may be required to pay charges covering the cost of the activity. Such charges may include but are not limited to admission fees, food costs, and transportation costs on activity trips. However, it is incumbent upon the school to make every effort to be sure no student is denied the right to participate in trips or other enrichment activities because of lack of funds.
 - c. Example: Voluntary field trips, extracurricular activities (clubs, athletics, etc.)

Waiver of Fees

All mandatory fees, fines, and charges shall be waived for indigent students. For purposes of student fees, an indigent student is defined as any child who is eligible for a free or reduced price lunch under the federal poverty income guidelines, including homeless and foster children. Students qualifying for a fee waiver shall receive it without unnecessary embarrassment or public exposure of their need.

All published information about student fees shall state that the fee will be waived for indigent students. Students qualifying for a fee waiver should receive it without unnecessary embarrassment or public exposure.

No Withholding of Records

CMA shall not withhold records required for enrollment in another school or institution of higher education, the diploma, transcript, or grades of any student for failure to pay a fine or fee or to return or replace school property.

Student Fee Schedule

The CMA School Board will annually approve the Student Fee Schedule, which will be included in the Student/Parent Handbook and found on the CMA Website.

Adopted by the CMA Board on 10/10/2023.


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