The Board of Education is charged with providing free education for all students. Neither tuition nor fees may be charged for state funded courses. All schools will provide free of charge basic materials which are required within each course of study. This includes texts and other reading materials in courses requiring use of such materials by students.

All technology devices (tablets, handhelds, laptops, etc.), accessories for these devices, textbooks, assistive technology devices, digital versions of textbooks, library books, media materials, musical instruments, band uniforms or any other equipment or property purchased by the District shall remain the property of the Fulton County School District. In order to maintain and protect these materials, the Superintendent or designees shall establish procedures necessary for the care and protection of these items; including, but not limited to, establishing fines up to the full market replacement cost of damaged and/or lost items.

As stewards of school property, all students and staff are expected to use FCS property responsibly. Use of the District Enterprise Network and all District-issued electronic devices is governed by Policy and Operating Guideline IFBGA: Responsible Use of the Enterprise Network.

It is the responsibility of the System to establish categories for which students may be expected to provide their own materials, supplies and/or equipment. The System may expect students to supply appropriate basic materials such as writing materials, pencils, crayons and pens. No specific brands of writing materials and/or pencils and pens may be required.

“Appropriate” is defined as reasonably serviceable. Any required material other than appropriate basic materials must be paid for by the System. A student, at his/her own option, may purchase additional materials for his/her use.

The System may charge reasonable fees for extracurricular activities as long as the charges do not affect the academic standing of the student within the program. For information regarding athletics fees please see Policy and Procedure IDF – Interscholastic Athletics.

**School Meal Charges**

Elementary School Students will be allowed to charge breakfast and lunch meals for a maximum of three (3) days to their account after the balance reaches zero. Once a student has charged those three days, he/she will not be allowed to charge, however he/she will be offered a designated menu alternate. Extra sale items may not be charged. Middle and High School Students are not allowed to charge breakfast and lunch meals or extra sale items.

For further information, see Operating Guideline JS – Payment for Meals and Meal Charges.

Board policy and administrative procedure concerning fees must be consistent with state law and policy of the Georgia Board of Education.

**Cross References:**

- Procedure JS – Student Fees, Fines, and Charges
- Operating Guidelines JS - Payment for Meals and Meal Charges

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.