

## **PURCHASING**

The School Committee declares its intention to purchase competitively without prejudice and to seek maximum educational value for every dollar expended.

The acquisition of materials, equipment and services will be centralized in the Superintendent's office of the school system.

The Superintendent will serve as purchasing agent. He/she will develop and administer the purchasing program for the schools in keeping with legal requirements and with the adopted school budget.

School purchases will be made only on official purchase orders approved for issuance by the appropriate unit head and signed by the Superintendent, with such exceptions as may be made by the latter for emergency purchases.

SOURCE: MASC

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 7:22A; 7:22B; 30B; 71:49A

**NOTE: This category is useful for a general, overall policy on purchasing, which includes content that might otherwise be filed in a number of subcategories of this main topic. Specific regulations pertaining to purchasing are better filed under DJF, Purchasing Procedures.**