

**High School District 214** 

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## WAIVER OF SCHOOL FEES

The Township High School District 214 Board of Education will waive all school fees if the parent(s)/guardian(s) income is below the federal income guidelines as determined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (see Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines).

Fees will also be waived if the family experiences a very significant loss of income because of severe illness or injury in the family. Fee waivers will be considered only if written evidence is presented by the person applying for the waiver.

"School fees" refers to any monetary charge collected by the school or district from a student or the parent(s)/guardian(s) as a prerequisite for the student's participation in any curricular or co-curricular program of the school or district during the school year. A school does not impose a "fee" when it requires that students provide their own ordinary supplies or materials (e.g., pencil, paper, notebooks) that are necessary to participate in any curricular or co-curricular program.

"School fees" include: All charges for required textbooks and instructional materials; all charges and deposits collected by a school for use of school property (e.g., locks, towels, laboratory equipment); charges for field trips made during school hours, or made after school hours if the field trip is a required or customary part of a class or co-curricular activity (e.g., annually scheduled trips to museums, concerts, places of business and industry or field trips related to instruction in social studies, the fine arts, career/vocational education or the sciences); charges or deposits for uniforms or equipment related to varsity and intramural sports or to fine arts programs; charges for supplies required for a particular class (e.g., shop or home economics materials, laboratory or art supplies); graduation fees (e.g., caps, gowns); school records fees; school health services fees; and driver education fees assessed pursuant to Section 27-24.2 of the School Code (105 ILCS 5/27- 24.2). District 214 school fees also include a technology device and device insurance cost.

"School fees" do not include: charges for the loss, misuse, or destruction of school property (e.g., musical instruments, library books, etc.); charges for the purchase of class rings, yearbooks, pictures, diploma covers, or similar items; charges for optional travel undertaken by a school club or group of students outside of school hours (e.g., a trip to Spain by the Spanish Club or a senior class trip); charges for admission to school dances, athletic events, or other social events; optional community service programs for which fees are charged (e.g., preschool, before and after school childcare, recreational programs).

For more information, reference Board policy 4:140 - Waiver of Student Fees.