Fee Waivers
The Board recognizes the need for student fees to fund certain school activities that are not financed by local, state, or federal funds. It also recognizes that some students may not be able to pay these fees. All fees shall contain a provision that allows the fees to be waived in the event of economic hardship to the pupil. A.R.S. 15-116(A). Non-payment of fees charged by the District, may not prevent a student from enrolling in, applying to or remaining enrolled in a public school. A.R.S. 15-116(B). No student will be denied an education as a result of inability to pay these supplementary charges. This policy does not prohibit the District from charging tuition to a non-state resident pupil, as required by statute (A.R.S. 15-116(C)).

Supplies and Equipment
Students will not be required to supply specific types of school supplies or equipment as a prerequisite to successful completion of a required course or project.

Students will, however, be responsible and accountable for loss of or damage to school property, including textbooks and library books.

The Superintendent will establish procedures through which students may be held responsible and accountable for loss of or damage to school property, including textbooks and library books.

Tax Credit contributions
Authorization is granted for the acceptance of fees or cash contributions paid by a taxpayer for support of extracurricular activities and character education programs in schools of the District. The Superintendent shall establish procedures to assure compliance with all requirements for reporting the receipt and expenditure of taxpayer contributions. See Regulation JQ-R.

School Websites
Per Governing Board Policy DBC Budget Planning, Preparation and Schedules, not later than the 15th day of October, each Tucson Unified school shall post on its School website and annually report to the Governing Board an accounting of its unspent,
unencumbered “undesignated” Tax Credit donations, following the format described in Policy DBC.

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LEGAL REF: A.R.S.
15-116 Public schools; fees; waiver; prohibition
15-342: Discretionary Powers
15-719: Character education program instruction; fund
15-724: Purchase of high school textbooks, subject matter materials and supplementary books; budget; rental
15-727: Care and issue of textbooks, subject matter materials, supplementary books and instructional computer software
15-728: Purchase of books by pupils or parent
15-729: Use of monies received for lost or damaged textbooks
43-1088: (Tax) Credit for contribution to qualifying charitable organizations; definitions
43-1089: Credit for contributions to school tuition organization
43-1089.01: Tax credit; public school fees and contributions; definitions
43-1089.03: Credit for contributions to certified school tuition organization

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DBC – Budget Planning, Preparation, Schedules
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