Grants and Awards

The District President, or designee, shall be authorized to:

1. Apply, on behalf of the Board, for any and all special federal and state grants and awards as deemed appropriate for the College District’s operations;

2. Approve commitment of College District funds for matching, cost sharing, cooperative, or jointly funded projects up to the amounts specifically allowed under the College District budget approved by the Board; and

3. Approve grant and award amendments as necessary; and

3.4. Receive funds on behalf of the College District related to completion of such authorized grant activities, if required.

The College District shall comply with all requirements for state and federal grants and awards imposed by law, the awarding agency, or an applicable pass-through entity. The District President, or designee, shall develop and enforce financial management systems, internal control procedures, procurement procedures, and other administrative procedures as needed to provide reasonable assurance that the College District is complying with requirements for state and federal grants and awards.

[See CAAA, CAAB]

Federal Awards

Conflict of Interest

Each employee, Board member, or agent of the College District who is engaged in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a federal grant or award, and who has a potential conflict of interest as defined at 2 C.F.R. 200.318, shall disclose to the College District in writing any conflict that meets the disclosure threshold in Local Government Code Chapter 176. [See CAAB]

In addition, each employee, Board member, or agent of the College District shall comply with any other conflict of interest requirements imposed by the granting agency or a pass-through entity.

For purposes of this policy, “immediate family member” has the same meaning as “family member” as described in Local Government Code Chapter 176. [See BBFA]

For purposes of this policy, “partner” shall have the same meaning as defined in Business Organizations Code Chapter 1, Subchapter A.

An employee, Board member, or agent of the College District who is required to disclose a conflict in accordance with the provisions above shall not participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a federal grant or award.
Gifts and Gratuities

Employees, Board members, and agents of the College District shall not solicit any gratuities, favors, or items from a contractor or a party to a subcontract for a federal grant or award and shall not accept:

1. Any single item with a value at or above $50; or
2. Items from a single contractor or subcontractor that have an aggregate monetary value exceeding $100 in a 12-month period.

[See BBFA, BBFB, CAAB, and DBD. In the event of a violation of these requirements, see CDE and DH.]