

**STUDENT GIFTS AND SOLICITATIONS**

**Gifts:**

Pupils shall be discouraged from the presentation of gifts to District employees. When a pupil feels a spontaneous desire to present a gift to a staff member, the gift should not be elaborate or unduly expensive. The Board shall consider as always welcome, and in most cases more appropriate than gifts, the writing of letters to staff members expressing gratitude or appreciation.

Because of embarrassment that might result among children, there will be no formal exchange of gifts between students in the classroom at Christmas or at any other time. For the same reason, Valentine's day card exchanges should be eliminated or very closely monitored to ensure that no one is left out of giving or receiving valentines.