#622 – Returned Checks

1. Purpose

The Board recognizes that there are costs associated with processing returned checks. In lieu of extending these costs to the general population of the school district via the operating budget, the Board believes the individual should incur the costs associated with processing returned checks. Further, the Board believes it is not prudent to continue to accept checks from certain persons under certain circumstances where multiple checks from that person have been returned.

2. Fee

A $20 fee will be assessed for all checks that are returned to the Catasauqua Area School District due to insufficient funds or any other reason. Checks that are returned will not be re-deposited.

The party that issued the original check must issue a new check for the original amount plus the $20.00 fee. If the check is returned a second time, the party that issued the check will then be requested to pay their obligation in cash plus another $20.00 cash fee.

Notice of the fee shall be conspicuously displayed in the public area of the office in each school building.

3. Checks Not Accepted

(a) In the event any person issues three (3) checks to the Catasauqua Area School District within a single fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) that are returned to the District due to insufficient funds or any other reason, the District will not accept any further checks from that person for the remainder of the fiscal year; payment from that person will have to be made in cash, by money order, by certified check, by bank cashier’s check, or by credit or debit card (to the extent and in the manner such cards are generally accepted by the District for the particular type of payment).

(b) In addition, if any person issues one (1) check to the District that is returned to the District due to insufficient funds or any other reason during a given fiscal year, and the provisions of subparagraph (a) or this subparagraph (b) applied to that person for the preceding fiscal year, the District will not accept any further checks from that person for the remainder of the given fiscal year.