Except as otherwise provided by law, all monies collected or received by an officer, employee, or agent of the school system or an individual school must be deposited in accordance with this policy. Each officer, employee, and agent of the school system or individual school whose duty it is to collect or receive any taxes or other monies shall ensure such collections and receipts are deposited daily. However, if the amount on hand is less than \$250.00, daily deposits are encouraged but are not required. Regardless of the amount on hand, all funds must be deposited at the end of each school week and on the last business day of each month. All deposits must be made with the finance officer or designee or in an official depository. Deposits in an official depository must be reported immediately to the finance officer or individual school treasurer by means of a duplicate deposit ticket.

Any other school employee who collects or otherwise receives any monies shall make deposits with the school treasurer of his or her school in accordance with guidelines established and approved by the school's principal and school treasurer.

Unless not feasible in a particular circumstance, the finance officer shall provide for sufficient segregation of duties to ensure that the individual making a deposit is not the same individual who collects, prepares, and/or records the deposit. All moneys collected, but not promptly deposited shall be kept in a secured drawer, cabinet, or safe with access limited to an authorized officer, employee, or agent. Authorized individuals shall be kept to the minimum necessary to achieve adequate internal controls and segregation of duties as determined appropriate by the finance officer.

The finance officer may at any time audit the accounts of any officer, employee, or agent who collects or receives any taxes or other monies and may prescribe the form and detail of these accounts. The accounts of such an officer, employee, or agent must be audited at least annually.

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Cross References:

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