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ITEM	FEE ALLOWED?	RATIONALE
Textbooks, including electronic textbooks, and supplementary instructional materials which convey information to the student or otherwise contribute to the learning process	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as textbooks
Software used for instruction	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as textbooks
Worksheets	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as textbooks
Student planners	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as school supply
Towel fee	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as school supply
Fee for costs of cleaning and general wear-and-tear of marching band uniform or choir performance robe	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as school supply
Rental of musical instrument	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as textbooks
Chemicals, apparatus used by every student in chemistry class Wood in wood shop Foods in food class Cloth, sewing supplies in sewing class	No	Prohibited by Iowa Code section 282.6 and OAG # 79-12-22 as "tuition"
Difference between the basic raw material (see row directly above) and a student's voluntarily chosen upgrade (e.g., pine wood upgraded to walnut or basic cotton cloth upgraded to finer grade of cloth)	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 301.1 as school supply
Eye protective device	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 280.10
Ear protective device	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 280.11
Driver education course	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 282.6
Summer school courses	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 282.6
Discretionary transportation of pupils to and from school (less than 2 miles from elementary or middle school or less than 3 miles from high school)	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 285.1(1)
Transportation for extracurricular events	No	Prohibited by Iowa Code section 285.10(9)
Any cost associated with field trips (e.g., admission, transportation)	No	Prohibited by Iowa Code section 282.6 as "tuition" assuming the field trip is during a day that is counted by

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		the district as a day of instruction
Line fees for bowling as part of Physical Education cost	No	Prohibited by Iowa Code section 282.6 as "tuition"
Flowers, balloon drop, other decorations, security – all associated with graduation ceremony	No	No authorization exists and there is no means by which this can be made voluntary for individual students
Locker, lock fees	No	Prohibited by Iowa Code section 282.6 as "tuition" (part of facility)
ITEMS FOR SALE AS VOLUNTARY PURCHASES TO STUDENTS	CHARGE ALLOWED FOR NO MORE THAN ACTUAL COST?	RATIONALE
Parking permit	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 279.9
Yearbook, Memory Book, School Newspaper	Yes	As long as the purchase is voluntary, this is not regulated by state law
Class ring	Yes	As long as the purchase is voluntary, this is not regulated by state law
Dance tickets	Yes	As long as the purchase is voluntary, this is not regulated by state law
Activity tickets	Yes	As long as the purchase is voluntary, this is not regulated by state law
Graduation cap, gown, tassel	Yes	As long as the purchase is voluntary, this is not regulated by state law
Diploma	No	If earned, the district must provide a diploma and there is no authorization by which to charge a fee for doing so
Diploma cover (<i>not</i> the diploma itself)	Yes	As long as the purchase is voluntary, this is not regulated by state law
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FOR WHICH A CHARGE IS ALLOWED	CHARGE ALLOWED FOR NO MORE THAN ACTUAL COST?	RATIONALE
NSF check charges	Yes	This is not regulated by education law
Duplicate student IDs	Yes	This is not regulated by education law
Fines for overdue school books or lost, damaged, destroyed items	Yes	Permitted by 281—IAC 18.4
Monetary penalty for violation of parking regulation	Yes	Authorized by Iowa Code section 279.8A, if amount is reasonable

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