The District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) believes that all students can learn and that we are committed to every student achieving success. Every student has the right to attend a school, where they are a qualified resident pupil, without payment of a fee. It is understood that each student should benefit and have equal access to programs and resources in their regular day school.

DSBN schools may choose to offer course enhancements (field trips) and supplementary learning materials beyond the core curriculum. In these cases, fees may be collected and charged by the school. While no student should be excluded from participating in any school activity or event based on the ability to pay, some activities or events may require some recovery of the cost for participation.

It is also understood that schools may potentially charge activity fees for activities (e.g., dances, school clubs, athletics and student council activities). In situations where fees may be charged to students, the school administration shall make every effort to assist students with limited financial means in a confidential manner. Where any fees are collected, all funds received will be accounted for in accordance with DSBN Policies and Procedures. These fees are collected to complement and not replace public funding for education.

Reference
Administrative Procedure 1-28: Fees for Learning Materials and Activities