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EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Please allow at least 8 weeks for the qualification process.

Public schools, nonprofit charter schools, and school districts can qualify for licensing and generally do not need to submit qualification information.

Private schools can qualify for licensing and shall submit the following information in the name of the organization prior to being approved to conduct a bingo, millionaire party, raffle, or charity game. A previously qualified organization may be required to submit updated qualification information to assure its continued eligibility under the act.

1. A signed and dated copy of the organization's current bylaws or constitution, including membership criteria.
2. A complete copy of the organization's Articles of Incorporation that have been filed with the Corporations and Securities Bureau, if the organization is incorporated.
3. A provision in the bylaws, constitution, or Articles of Incorporation that all assets, and real and personal property will revert to the local government or another nonprofit organization should the organization dissolve.
4. A copy of the letter from the IRS stating the organization is exempt from federal tax under IRS code 501(c)

OR

copies of one bank statement per year for the previous five years, excluding the current year.

5. A letter from the Michigan Department of Education stating the organization complies with the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852.

Note: School teams, classes, clubs, and other groups sponsored by the school or school district generally do not qualify for licensing. Applications in support of these functions should be submitted in the name of the school or school district. Also, college fraternities and sororities are specifically prohibited under Act 382 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, from conducting gambling activities in Michigan.

Additional information may be requested after the initial documents submitted have been reviewed. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call our office at (517) 335-5780.

Act 382 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, defines an educational organization as "an organization within this state that is organized not for pecuniary profit, whose primary purpose is educational in nature and designed to develop the capabilities of individuals by instruction in any public or private elementary or secondary school that complies with the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852, or any private or public college or university that is organized not for pecuniary profit and that is approved by the state board of education."

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All Lottery profits support K-12 public education in Michigan.