Code of Ethics

As a member of NAEP, Fairmont State University, Procurement Office operates under the following code of ethics:

- 1. Give first consideration to the objectives and policies of my institution.
- 2. Strive to obtain the maximum value for each dollar of expenditure.
- 3. Decline personal gifts or gratuities.
- 4. Grant all competitive suppliers equal consideration insofar as state or federal statute and institutional policy permit.
- 5. Conduct business with potential and current suppliers in an atmosphere of good faith, devoid of intentional misrepresentation.
- 6. Demand honesty in sales representation whether offered through the medium of a verbal or written statement, an advertisement, or a sample of the product.
- 7. Receive consent of originator of proprietary ideas and designs before using them for competitive purchasing purposes.
- 8. Make every reasonable effort to negotiate an equitable and mutually agreeable settlement of any controversy with a supplier; and/or be willing to submit any major controversies to arbitration or other third party review, insofar as the established policies of my institution permit.
- 9. Accord a prompt and courteous reception insofar as conditions permit to all who call on legitimate business missions.
- 10. Cooperate with trade, industrial and professional associations, and with governmental and private agencies for the purposes of promoting and developing sound business methods.
- 11. Foster fair, ethical and legal trade practices.