

## **BMPA Policy on Purchasing Items Using Tax Exempt Status**

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Anyone who purchases items for BMPA supported groups or activities (i.e. Dance, Choir, Color Guard, Band, concessions, etc.) and will be providing receipts to the treasurer requesting reimbursement for the purchases, must procure the items from a merchant that accepts the BMPA's tax exempt status. A standard letter with the required tax exempt ID number will be provided to any purchaser at their request.

In the event that the purchaser has a discount or special coupon that can be used however, the store will not accept both the discount and the tax exemption, taxes will be reimbursed if the amount of the tax is less than the discount received. In addition, if a purchase is required while the group is on a trip out of town and the store will not honor the tax exempt status of BMPA, taxes will be reimbursed.

Except for the situations described above, individuals purchasing items from merchants that do not honor BMPA's tax exempt status (and therefore requiring that the sales tax be paid on the purchase) will not be reimbursed the amount of the sales tax.

Individuals may purchase items from any merchant that will accept BMPA's tax exempt tax status.