

The Board shall provide cafeteria facilities where space and buildings permit, and will provide food service for the purchase and consumption of lunch for all students.

The food-service program shall comply with Federal and State regulations pertaining to the selection, preparation, delivery, consumption, and disposal of food and beverages as well as to the fiscal management of the program as well as all Federal and State requirements pertaining to food service hiring and food service manager/operator licensure and certification. In addition, as required by law, a food safety program based on the principles of the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system shall be implemented with the intent of preventing food-borne illnesses.

Substitutions to the standard meal requirements shall be made, at no additional charge, for whom a health care provider who has prescriptive authority in the State of Wisconsin has provided medical certification that the student's medical condition restricts his/her diet, in accordance with the criteria set forth in 7 C.F.R. Part 1 To qualify for such substitutions the medical certification must identify:

- A. the student's medical condition or symptoms of a condition that restricts one (1) or more major life activity or function
- B. an explanation of how the condition or symptom affects the student's diet; and
- C. the food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet, and the food or choice of foods that must be substituted (e.g., caloric modifications or use of liquid nutritive formula).

On a case by case basis, substitutions to the standard meal requirements may be made, at no additional charge, for students who provide a signed statement from a qualified medical authority that the student cannot consume certain food items due to medical or other special dietary needs, but which does not comply with the requirement above. To qualify for such consideration and substitutions the medical statement must identify:

- A. the medical or dietary need that restricts the student's diet; and
- B. the food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet and the food(s) or choice of foods that may be substituted

Lunches sold by the school may be purchased by students and staff members and community residents in accordance with the rules of the District's school lunch program.

The operation and supervision of the food-service program shall be the responsibility of the Business Manager and the Supervisor of Food Services. Food services shall be operated on a self-supporting basis with revenue from students, staff, Federal reimbursement, and surplus food. The Board shall assist the program by furnishing available space, initial major equipment, and utensils. Maintenance and replacement of equipment is the responsibility of the program.

A periodic review of the food-service accounts shall be made by the Business Manager. Any surplus funds from the National School Lunch Program shall be used to reduce the cost of the service to students or to purchase cafeteria equipment. Surplus funds from a-la-carte foods may accrue to the food service program.

Students will be permitted to purchase meals from the District's food service using either cash on hand or a food service account. A student may be allowed to incur a negative food service account balance subject to the following conditions.

- A. Students may be permitted to accumulate negative food service account balance as determined by the District Administrator.
- B. The District Administrator shall determine the manner of determining permissible account balances by grade level.
- C. A student shall not be permitted to purchase a la carte items without sufficient account balance or cash on hand.

This policy and any implementing guidelines shall be provided in writing all households at the start of each school year and to households transferring to the school or School District during the school year. The policy and implementing guidelines will also be provided to all District staff with responsibility for enforcing the policies. The policy and guidelines will be posted on the District website.

The food-service program may participate in the "Farm to School Program" using locally sourced food in school meals and snacks.

No non-vended foods or beverages, other than those associated with the District's food-service program, are to be sold during lunch hours. School Organizations may sell non-compliant food for fund raiser's up to 2 times per school year. The District's food service program shall serve only food items and beverages determined by the Supervisor of School Nutrition to be in compliance with the current USDA Nutrition Standards for the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. Any competitive food items and beverages that are available for sale to students a la carte in the dining area between midnight and thirty (30) minutes following the end of the school day shall also comply with the current USDA Nutrition Standards for the National School Lunch Program and National School Breakfast Programs and the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition guidelines.

## **Nondiscrimination Statement**

The following statement applies to all programs administered by the District that are funded in whole or in part by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA):

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on

race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

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### **Legal References:**

### **Cross References:**

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