

FOOD SERVICE POLICY:

8500 - FOOD SERVICES

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

The Board shall also provide a breakfast program in accordance with procedures established by the Department of Public Instruction.

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. 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. For added safety and security, access to the facility and the food stored and prepared therein shall be limited to food service staff and other authorized persons.

Substitutions to the standard meal requirements shall be made, at no additional charge, for students who are certified by a licensed physician to have a disability which restricts his/her diet, in accordance with the criteria set forth in 7 CFR 15b.3. To qualify for such substitutions the medical certification must identify:

- the student's disability and the major life activity affected by the disability;
- an explanation of why the disability affects the student's diet; and
- 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 are not "disabled persons", but have a signed statement from a qualified medical authority that the student cannot consume certain food items due to medical or other special dietary needs. To qualify for such consideration and substitutions the medical statement must identify:

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

For non-disabled students who need a nutritional equivalent milk substitute, only a signed request by a parent or guardian is required.

Lunches sold by the school may be purchased by students and staff members and community residents in accordance with the administrative guidelines established by the District Administrator. For non-disabled students who need a nutritional equivalent milk substitute, only a signed request by a parent or guardian is required.

The operation and supervision of the food-service program shall be the responsibility of the Food Service Director. 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 Finance Director. 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 purchased using funds from the nonprofit food service account must accrue to the nonprofit food service account.

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

The District Administrator shall establish administrative guidelines for the conduct of the school lunch program that shall include provisions for:

No foods or beverages, other than those associated with the District's food-service program, are to be sold during food-service hours. The District's food service program shall serve only food items and beverages determined by the Food Service Department to be in compliance with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for American and Smart Snack Rules. 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 last lunch period shall also comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans and Smart Snack Rules. Foods and beverages unassociated with the food-service program may be vended in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth in Board Policy [8540](#).

15.137, 93.49, 115.34-115.345, 120.10(16), 120.13(10), Wis. Stats.

7 C.F.R. 210, 215, 220, 240

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