

Nutrition and Food Services

Purpose

This policy sets forth the parameters of the district food service program and operation in conjunction with the nutritional goals of the district Wellness Program.

Scope

This policy applies to the Superintendent, administrators, teachers, school food services staff, students, parents and guardians.

Policy

1. The Board of Directors supports wholesome and nutritious meals for children in the district's schools and, as such, authorizes the Superintendent and/or designee(s) to administer a food services program in alignment with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program, in conjunction with Policy #6700-Nutrition, Health and Physical Fitness.
 - 1.1. Expenditures for food supplies will not exceed the estimated revenues. The district may use U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Foods made available under the Federal Food Distribution Program for school meal programs.
 - 1.2. Any decision to enter into a contract with a food service management company will require the approval of the Board.
2. The Board authorizes the Superintendent to establish meal prices annually in accordance with state and federal regulations, with consideration given to changes in food and labor costs and current economic conditions.
3. As a sponsor of the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program, the district will ensure the following requirements are met:
 - (a) Annual distribution of free and reduced-price meal applications and determination of program eligibility.
 - (b) Protection of the identity of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals.
 - (c) Compliance with USDA meal pattern and meal periods requirements.
 - (d) Utilization of the full entitlement of USDA Foods.
 - (e) Establishment of a Food Safety Plan.
 - (f) Annual analysis of meal prices with periodic price adjustments as needed, and submission to the Board for approval.
 - (g) Maintenance of a nonprofit school food service account.
 - (h) Utilization of all revenues solely for the school meal program.
 - (i) Establishment of a meal charge policy.

- (j) Accommodation of children with special dietary needs.
 - (k) Compliance with USDA nondiscrimination policies.
 - (l) Adherence to proper procurement procedures.
 - (m) Compliance with the Smart Snacks in Schools standards.
4. The Superintendent or designee(s) will develop procedures for implementation of this policy.

Related Procedures

6700P1-Nutrition, Health and Physical Fitness

6701P1-Nutrition and Food Services

6701P2-Food Service Accounting

6701P3-Buy American Guidelines

Policy Cross References

6700-Nutrition, Health and Physical Fitness

Policy Legal References

RCW 28A.210.365 – Food choice, physical activity, childhood fitness – minimum standards – district waiver or exemption policy

RCW 28A.235.120 – Meal Programs — Establishment and Operation — Personnel — Agreements

RCW 28A.235.130 – Milk for children at school expense

RCW 28A.235.140 – School breakfast programs

RCW 28A. 235.145 – School breakfast and lunch programs –Use of state funds

RCW 28A. 235.150 – School breakfast and lunch programs – Grants to increase participation – Increased state support

RCW 28A.235.160 – Requirements to implement school breakfast, lunch and summer food service programs – Exemptions

RCW 28A.235.170 – Washington grown fresh fruit and vegetable grant program

RCW 28A.623.020 – Nonprofit program for elderly — Authorized — Restrictions

RCW 69.04 – Intrastate Commerce in Food, Drugs and Cosmetics

RCW 69.06.010 – Food and beverage service worker’s permit — Filing, duration — Minimum training requirements

RCW 69.06.020 – Permit exclusive and valid throughout state — Fee

RCW 69.06.030 – Diseased persons — May not work — Employer may not hire

RCW 69.06.050 – Permit to be secured within fourteen days from time of employment.

RCW 69.06.070 – Limited duty permit

WAC 392-157-125 – Time for meals

7 CFR, Parts 210 and 220

7 CFR, Part 245.5

Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010

7 CFR 3016.36 – Procurement

Management Resources

Policy & Legal News, May 2018 – Student nutrition services

Policy & Legal News, July 2017 – Other Updates

Policy & Legal News, April 2017 – Nutrition and Physical Fitness Policy/Procedure revised

Policy & Legal News, June 2015 – Nutrition and Physical Fitness policy and procedure updated

Policy & Legal News, February 2014 – Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act regulations go into effect July 1

School Wellness Policy Best Practices, OSPI, January 2013

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