

Business and Non-Instructional Operations

**FOOD SALES OTHER THAN NATIONAL SCHOOL
LUNCH PROGRAM**

3542.33(a)

The Board recognizes that good nutrition is essential to peak academic performance for students and to long-term health. The Board supports nutrition programs and nutrition education as an integral part of a high-quality education. The District's lunch (and breakfast) program will operate to meet dietary specifications in accordance with the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 and applicable state laws and regulations.

To ensure that foods served at schools address modern nutritional needs and to protect the health of students, the principal will address control over the sale of non-cafeteria / competitive food. For the purposes of this policy, "competitive food" means any food that is sold or dispensed to children in competition with the school lunch program.

The district will permit vending machines and the sale of competitive foods in the middle and high schools in accordance with this policy and Policy 3542.45 Vending Machines.

Schools will not offer to sell other non-cafeteria / competitive foods to students on campus from one-half (1/2) hour before the first lunch period to one-half (1/2) hour after the last lunch period.

The Board shall make available in District schools for purchase by students nutritious and low-fat foods which shall include, but shall not be limited to, low-fat dairy products and fresh or dried fruit at all times when food is available for purchase during the regular school day in schools.

The sale of beverages to students from any source, including, but not limited to, school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias and any fund-raising activities on school grounds, whether or not school-sponsored, shall be restricted to milk, non-dairy drinks such as soy or rice milk, 100% fruit juices, vegetable juices or combination of such juices, beverages that contain only water or vegetable juice and water. All allowed beverages must fulfill the requirements specified in Connecticut statute and federal regulations regarding artificial sweeteners, flavoring, caffeine and portion size.

The principal, School Cafeteria Supervisor, and Supervisor of Food Services are responsible for ensuring that foods from vending machines and other non-cafeteria/competitive foods are sold in compliance with federal guidelines, state statute, guidelines and district policy.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

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Legal Reference: National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program; Competitive Foods. (7 CFR Parts 210 and 220, Federal Register, Vol.45, No. 20, Tuesday, January 29, 1980, pp. 6758-6772)
P.L. 111-296 Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA), 42 U.S.C. 1751
7 CFR Parts 210 & 220 – Nutrition Standards in the National School Lunch & School Breakfast Programs.
Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Assistance, 7 C.F.R. Part 15b (2001)
Connecticut General Statutes
10-215e Nutrition standards for food that is not part of lunch and breakfast program
10-215f Certification that food meets nutrition standards
10-221p Boards to make available for purchase nutritious low-fat foods and drinks
10-221q Sale of beverages
PA 06-63 An Act Concerning Healthy Food and Beverages in Schools
Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies – 10-215b-1 Competitive foods
Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies – 10-215b-23 Income from the sale of food items.

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