FOOD SERVICES MANAGEMENT

SECTION I: PURPOSE

The purpose of the food service program shall be to provide high quality, nutritious healthy meals to students that nourish their body and mind. The meals are provided at no cost to the students. The program also provides a teaching environment in which the foods that students need for proper growth and development are served in an appealing presentation and atmosphere that is readily accepted by the students.

SECTION II: RESPONSIBILITY

The superintendent assumes the overall responsibility for the administration, operation and supervision of the food service program. The Executive Director is administratively responsible for the administration of the school food service program and shall assign responsibilities and duties for carrying out the program to school personnel at various sites. The Executive Director is directly responsible for the operation of the program in the individual school sites and the building administrator or principal is responsible for the behavior of students using the school cafeteria during meal service.

SECTION III: SERVICES

Food services shall follow the regulations established by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) in planning all of the meals to meet the meal pattern requirements for all programs operated within the school district for reimbursement.

As required for participation in the various programs, the board agrees to the following regulations:

That the food service program operates on a nonprofit basis;

That reimbursable meals are available for all students that meet at least one-third of their daily food requirements; and

That all meals are provided to students at no cost.

SECTION IV: ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility requirements will be the standards established by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for the National School Breakfast Program, National School Lunch Program, Summer Food Service Program and USDA Donated Foods Program. Annually, all eligibility requirements and any changes shall be announced publicly by USDA, state agency and the local school district.
SECTION V: RECORDS

The district shall comply with all regulations regarding the keeping of accounts, records, and the making of reports prescribed by statute. Such accounts and records shall be available at all times for inspection and audit by authorized officials and shall be preserved for a period of five years including the present school year.

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