

WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	SECTION 5000
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5500 FOOD SERVICES

5505 FURNISHING FOOD TO SCHOOL CHILDREN

~~No student enrolled will be deprived of participation in established lunch and/or milk programs of the District because of financial limitation. Guidelines for free and reduced lunches and/or free milk shall be those currently approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Application for free or reduced price meals may be made by the parent or guardian to the building principal. The anonymity of recipients of free or reduced price meals shall be preserved to the greatest degree possible.~~

The Board recognizes that students require adequate, nourishing food and beverages in order to grow, learn and maintain good health and directs that students shall be provided with adequate space and time to eat meals during the school day. The Superintendent or his/her designee is authorized to develop and disseminate administrative procedures to implement this policy.

The District shall ensure, in the operation of the food service program, no student, staff member, or other individual shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex or disability

The food service program and the procurement of goods or services for the food service program shall be operated in compliance with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, as well as, federal guidelines established by the Child Nutrition Division of the United States Department of Agriculture. The price charged to students shall be established annually by the District in compliance with state and federal laws.

Non-program food shall be priced to generate sufficient revenues to cover the cost of such items. A non-program food shall be defined as a food or beverage, other than a reimbursable meal or snack, that is sold at the school and is purchased using funds from the child nutrition account. Non-program foods include but are not limited to adult meals and a-la-carte items. All revenue from the sale of non-program food shall accrue to the child nutrition program account.

The operation and supervision of the food service program shall be the responsibility of the Director of Business Services, who shall ensure school meals meet the standards required by the School Breakfast Program, the National School Lunch Program and the Special Milk Program. Cafeterias shall be operated on a nonprofit basis, and a periodic review of the cafeteria accounts shall be made by the Director of Business Services.

1 **The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify students, parents/guardians and**
2 **employees concerning the contents of this policy and applicable administrative**
3 **procedures. Notification shall include information related to nondiscrimination.**
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5 **The District shall use USDA Foods for school menus available under the Child**
6 **Nutrition USDA Foods Programs.**
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8 **The District shall provide free and reduced-price meals and/or free milk to students in**
9 **accordance with the terms and conditions of the National School Lunch Program, the**
10 **School Breakfast Program and the Special Milk Program. The anonymity of recipients**
11 **of free or reduced-price meals and/or free milk shall be preserved as required by law.**
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13 **The District shall make appropriate food service and/or meal accommodations to**
14 **students with special dietary needs in accordance with applicable law, regulations and**
15 **Board policy.**
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17 **The District shall obtain two safety inspections per year in accordance with local, state,**
18 **and federal laws and regulations. The District shall post the most recent inspection**
19 **report and release a copy of the report to members of the public upon request.**
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21 **The District shall comply with federal requirements in developing a food safety**
22 **program that enables District schools to take systematic action to prevent or minimize**
23 **the risk of foodborne illness among students. The District shall maintain proper**
24 **sanitation and health standards in food storage, preparation and service, in accordance**
25 **with applicable state and local laws and regulations and federal food safety**
26 **requirements.**
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28 **The District shall comply with the professional standards for school food service**
29 **personnel who manage and operate the National School Lunch and School Breakfast**
30 **Programs. For purposes of this policy, professional standards include hiring standards**
31 **for new food service program directors and annual continuing education/training for**
32 **all individuals involved in the operation and administration of school meal programs.**
33 **Such professional standards shall apply to both District-operated food service**
34 **programs and contracted food service programs.**
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39 Legal Reference - **24 P.S. 1335; 24 PS 1337; 24 PS 504; 24 PS 807.1;**
40 **42 USC 1751, *et. seq.*; 2 CFR Part 200; 7 CFR Part 210;**
41 **7 CFR Part 215; 7 CFR Part 220; 7 CFR Part 245; 7 CFR Part 15;**
42 **3 Pa.C.S.A. 5713**

43 Cross Reference - **Policy 5501, 5505, 5510, and 10615**