

CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES MANAGEMENT

SECTION I: PURPOSE

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

SECTION II: RESPONSIBILITY

The Superintendent assumes the overall responsibility for the administration, operation and supervision of the food service program. The Executive Director for Child Nutrition Services is responsible for the school food service program and shall assign responsibilities and duties for carrying out the food service program to school personnel at various sites. The Executive Director for Child Nutrition Services is responsible for the operation of the program in the individual school sites and the School Administrator is responsible for the behavior of scholars using the school cafeteria during meal service and at other times.

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: the food service program operates on a nonprofit basis; reimbursable meals are available for all scholars and each meal meets at least one-third of their daily nutrition requirements; and all meals are provided to scholars 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