FOOD SERVICES MANAGEMENT

The school system, in compliance with federal and state law and with the rules and regulations of the Department of Education, shall operate school nutrition programs, which shall be under the direction of the food service director. The director shall assign workers to each school serving meals under this program. The business administrator shall exercise control of the overall operation and efficiency of the food service program and its expenditures.

The food service worker in each school is directly responsible to the district food service director, but shall cooperate with the principal of the school in matters essential to the proper functioning of the food services program. The responsibility for control of students using the cafeteria shall rest with the building principal.

The School Committee shall approve the prices set for school meals and the price of milk. Menus shall be released to the local web site one week in advance.

As required for participation in the national School Lunch Program, the School Committee agrees to meet all applicable state and federal regulations including the following:

1. That a “Type A” meal be made available to students

2. That free and reduced-price meals be provided to students who cannot afford to pay the price of the “Type A” meal

3. All foods and beverages sold must meet or exceed the 5% minimum nutrient value standard.

4. During the normal school day, schools or approved student organizations are allowed to benefit from the sale of nutritious foods and beverages.

5. All sales of food and beverages for fundraising will be approved by the building principal.

6. Students shall also be permitted to bring their lunches from home and to purchase beverages and incidental items.

7. Nutritious foods and beverages shall be available wherever and whenever food is sold or otherwise offered at school and at school sponsored events outside of the normal school day.

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