Vending Machines

The Board of Trustees has determined that there shall be no installations of vending machines except as approved by the superintendent. The superintendent will have the authority to determine whether such machines may be installed, where they will be placed, what items will be dispensed, and during which hours they might be used. Vending machines are operated as a convenience for students, staff and patrons. All revenue produced from this source shall be deposited in the designated activity fund as approved by the board of trustees. Revenues may be spent only on those purposes for which general revenue may be expended.

Vending Machine Use

- 1. Elementary Schools: Vending machines shall not be operated in elementary schools in locations available to students.
- 2. Middle Schools/Junior High Schools: Vending machines may be operated in middle schools/junior high schools. All vending sales shall comply with policies regarding competitive food sales.
- 3. High Schools: Vending machines may be operated in high schools. All vending sales shall comply with policies regarding competitive food sales.

Vending Machine Nutrition Standards

The District strongly encourages the sale or distribution of nutrient dense foods for all school functions and activities. Nutrient dense foods are those foods that provide students with calories rich in the nutrient content needed to be healthy. In an effort to support the consumption of nutrient dense foods in the school setting the District has adopted the following Nutrition Standards governing the sale of food, beverages and candy on school grounds. Sites are encouraged to study these standards and develop building policy using the following District Nutrition Standards as minimal guidelines.

Food:

- Any given food item for sale prior to the start of the school day and throughout the instructional day will have no more than 30% of its total calories derived from fat.
- Any given food item for sale prior to the start of the school day and throughout the instructional day will have no more than 10% of its total calories derived from saturated fat.
- Nuts and seeds are exempt from these standards because they are nutrient dense
 and contain high levels of monounsaturated fat. Foods high in monounsaturated
 fat help lower "bad" LDL cholesterol and maintain "good" HDL cholesterol.
- It is recognized that there may be rare special occasions when the school principal may allow a school group to deviate from these guidelines.

• Encourage the consumption of nutrient dense foods, i.e., whole grains, fresh fruits and vegetables.

Beverages:

- Vending sales of pop or artificially sweetened drinks will not be permitted on school grounds.
- The nonvending sale of pop or artificially sweetened drinks will not be permitted on school grounds both prior to the start of the school day and throughout the instructional day, but will be permitted at those special school events that begin after the conclusion of the instructional day.
- The vending sale of beverages, other than soda, with less than 10% fruit juice may begin at the conclusion of the instructional day.
- Milk, water and 100% fruit juices may be sold on school grounds both prior to and throughout the instructional day. This standard will be phased-in over the next three school years in the following manner:

Candy:

- Vending sales of candy will not be permitted on school grounds.
- Nonvending sales of candy will be permitted at the conclusion of the instructional day.
- Candy is defined as any item that has sugar (including brown sugar, corn sweetener, corn syrup, fructose, glucose {dextrose}, high-fructose corn syrup, honey, invert sugar, lactose, maltose, molasses, raw sugar, table sugar {sucrose}, syrup) listed as one of the first two ingredients.

Cross Reference: 7260 Student Activity Funds

8245 Competitive Food Services

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-512(4) Governance of Schools

I.C. § 33-705 Activity Funds

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