

## **CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES**

Bonneville Joint School District No.93 supports the philosophy of the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs and shall provide wholesome, appetizing, and nutritious meals for children in the District's schools. Child Nutrition services are linked to physical education, school meals, and health promotion programs in the school and community. Food commodities made available under the USDA Foods Program shall be used by the District Child Nutrition Services.

### **Guidelines**

#### **Provision of Child Nutrition Services**

1. At a minimum, Child Nutrition Services will:
  - a. Provide breakfast and lunch following the USDA School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program;
  - b. Ensure all children have access to healthy food choices; and
  - c. Promote proper nutrition.

### **Food Donations**

1. Because of potential liability to the District, the food services program shall not accept donations of food without the approval of the Board and the appropriate agency, such as the local public health district and/or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).
2. Should the Board approve a food donation, the Superintendent/designee shall establish inspection and handling procedures for the food and determine that the provisions of all State and local laws have been met and consult with the local public health district before selling the food as part of the school meals.

### **Community Involvement**

1. The District may promote activities to involve students and parents in the school lunch and breakfast programs. Such activities may include:
  - a. Teaching students about good nutrition practices and
  - b. Involving the school faculty and the general community in activities to enhance the program.

2. To the maximum extent practical, the District shall inform families about the availability of breakfast for students.
  - a. Information shall be distributed just prior to or at the beginning of the school year.
  - b. Additional reminders may be sent throughout the school year and/or posted to the District's website.

### **Special Dietary Accommodations**

Child Nutrition Services provides nutritious meals to all students, including those who require special diets due to medical reasons (i.e., disability, allergies, etc.). Accommodations are considered only for those students requiring a change in diet based on medical need. (See policy form #3515F8 *Request for Special Meal Accommodation Due to Medical Condition.*)

### **Safety**

The following will be implemented and regularly reviewed to ensure the health and safety of the District's students and employees.

1. Ensuring food safety;
2. Providing sanitary work conditions,
3. Eliminating, to the extent possible, safety hazards;
4. Complying with applicable health regulations; and
5. Maintaining current Health Department Licenses/Certifications.

### **Qualifications of School Child Nutrition Staff**

1. Qualified professionals will administer the school meal programs.
2. As part of the District's responsibility to operate a Child Nutrition Program, continuing professional development opportunities shall be provided to all District nutrition program directors, managers, and staff.
3. Professional development programs should include appropriate certification and/or training programs for child nutrition directors, school nutrition managers, and cafeteria workers, according to their levels of responsibility.
4. The District may use industry resources to provide information and services that promote the continuous improvement of the child nutrition programs.

**Free and Reduced-Price Meals**

1. The District shall provide free and reduced-price meals to students according to the terms of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP).
2. Parents shall be informed of the availability of free or reduced-price meals.
3. A parent has the right to appeal any decision with respect to his or her application for free or reduced-price food services to a designated hearing official.
4. Every effort will be made to eliminate any social stigma attached to, and prevent the overt identification of students who are eligible for free and reduced-price school meals.
5. Toward this end, the availability of school meals to all students will be promoted and electronic identification of students and payment systems utilized where feasible.
6. The amount charged for paid meals shall be sufficient to cover all costs of the meals, including preparation labor, food costs, handling costs, utility costs, and equipment depreciation costs.

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Cross Reference:      Healthy Lifestyles #8300  
                                  Healthy Lifestyles Advisory Committee #8310  
                                  Eligibility for Free and Reduced Price Meals #8455  
                                  Food and Beverages Sold Individually #8460

Legal Reference:        42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq. National School Lunch Act  
                                  7 CFR Part 210 & 220 Nutrition School Lunch and School Breakfast  
                                  Programs: Final Rule  
                                  7 CFR Parts 210.12 Student, Parent, and Community Involvement  
                                  PL 116-94, H.R.1865 - Further Consolidated Appropriations Act  
                                  PL111-296 Sec 204 Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 (Wellness  
                                  Policy)  
                                  SP 45-2012 Overt identification