

POLICY

BOARD OF EDUCATION HIGH POINT REGIONAL

NO. 8500 Operations

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8500. Lunch Program

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The Board of Education recognizes the midday meal as an important part of each pupil's school day. The Superintendent shall ensure a wholesome, nutritious food services program in the district and one which reinforces the concepts of nutrition education as taught in the classrooms of this district. The Board shall provide food service facilities for the consumption of food on school premises. All pupils not expressly excused by the Principal shall be expected to remain at school for lunch. The district shall participate in the Federal Child Nutrition Program.

There shall be cafeteria facilities for the provision of noonday luncheons for all students. Balanced, hot meals will be available to all pupils under the Federal School Lunch Program. The district will participate and observe all rules for the federally sponsored free and reduced lunch program.

The Food Service Program shall be operated on a nonprofit basis. All moneys derived from the operation, maintenance, or sponsorship of the food service facilities shall be deposited in the Food Service Account. The net cash resources of the food service account may not exceed three months' operating cost. A periodic review of the food service account shall be made by the Business Administrator. Any surplus funds shall be used to reduce the cost of the service to pupils or to purchase cafeteria equipment.

The Cafeteria Manager is responsible for the operation and supervision of the cafeteria, under the supervision of the Superintendent, or designee. Records are to be maintained in accordance with existing rules and regulations. The Superintendent, or designee, is responsible for the general administration of the cafeteria program.

The Superintendent, or designee, shall ensure the maintenance of sanitary, neat premises, free from fire and health hazards, for the preparation and consumption of food and the safekeeping and storage of food and food equipment in strict compliance with regulations of the New Jersey State Department of Health.

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42.1; 18A:33-3 et seq.; 18A:58-7.1
N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.6 et seq. - N.J.A.C. 8:24-2.1 through 7.5
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