

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board intends that, insofar as possible, school food services shall be a self-supporting, nonprofit program. To increase cost effectiveness, the Superintendent or designee shall centralize and direct the purchasing of food and supplies, the planning of menus, and the auditing of all food service accounts for the district.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

Meals may be sold to students, district employees, Board members, and employees or members of the fund or association maintaining the cafeteria. (Education Code 38082)

In addition, meals may be sold to other individuals and organizations who are on campus during meal times for a legitimate purpose, such as classroom volunteers, parents/guardians, or student siblings.

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend meal prices for students and nonstudents for approval by the Board. Students who are enrolled in the free or reduced-price meal programs shall receive meals free of charge or at a reduced price in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

Any meals served to nonstudents shall not be subsidized by federal or state reimbursements, food service revenues, or U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities.

Program financial reports shall be presented regularly to the Board.

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Cafeteria Fund

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a cafeteria fund independent of the district's general fund.

The wages, salaries, and benefits of food service employees shall be paid from the cafeteria fund. (Education Code 38103)

Contracts with Outside Services/Providers

With Board approval, the district may enter into a contract for management consulting services related to food service.

(cf. 3600 - Consultants)

With Board approval, the district may enter into a contract with a private company that enables a school to operate a franchise offering fast food items for sale to students. The franchise agreement and food purchases shall be subject to the competitive bidding requirements of the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

38080-38085 Cafeteria, establishment and use

38090-38095 Cafeterias, funds and accounts

38100-38103 Cafeterias, allocation of charges

42646 Alternate payroll procedure

45103.5 Contracts for management consulting services; restrictions

49490-49493 School breakfast and lunch programs

49500-49505 School meals

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

113700-114437 California Retail Food Code

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1751-1769h School lunch programs

1771-1791 Child nutrition, including:

1773 School breakfast program

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

210.1-210.31 National School Lunch Program

220.1-220.21 National School Breakfast Program

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES

0701.00 Adult and Sibling Meals in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, No. 00-111

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

California School Accounting Manual

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Nutrition Services Division: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/nu>

California School Nutrition Association: <http://www.calsna.org>

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd>

Policy
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WHEATLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Wheatland, California

Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund

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Payments

With the exception of students who are eligible to receive meals at no cost, students or their parents/guardians may pay on a per-meal basis or may submit payments in advance. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain an account indicating payments received from each student or his/her parents/guardians for the purchase of school meals.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

Students and their parents/guardians shall be notified whenever their account has a zero balance.

Whenever a student's account has an unpaid balance of \$50 or more, parents/guardians shall be notified in writing that full payment is due within seven school days from the date of the notice.

Cafeteria Fund

All proceeds from food sales and other services offered by the cafeteria shall be deposited in the cafeteria fund as provided by law. The income and expenditures of any cafeteria revolving account established by the Governing Board shall be recorded as income and expenditures of the cafeteria fund. (Education Code 38090, 38091, 38092)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

The cafeteria fund shall be used only for Board-authorized expenditures necessary for the operation of school cafeterias as defined in the California School Accounting Manual or appropriately reported to the California Department of Education. (Education Code 38091, 38101)

Any charges to, or transfers from, a food service program shall be dated and accompanied by a written explanation of the expenditure's purpose and basis. (Education Code 38101)

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

Any funds derived from the sale of cafeteria food and deposited in a Board-established cafeteria equipment reserve shall be used only for the purchase, lease, maintenance, or replacement of cafeteria equipment. (Education Code 38102)

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