

STUDENT WELFARE
WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES

FFA
(LOCAL)

The District shall support the general wellness of all students by implementing measurable goals to promote sound nutrition and student health and to reduce childhood obesity.

[See EHAA for information regarding the District's coordinated school health program.]

DEVELOPMENT,
IMPLEMENTATION,
AND REVIEW OF
GUIDELINES AND
GOALS

The District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC) on behalf of the District, shall review and consider evidence-based strategies and techniques and shall develop nutrition guidelines and wellness goals as required by law. In the development, implementation, and review of these guidelines and goals, the DEIC shall permit participation by parents, students, representatives of the District's food service provider, physical education teachers, school health professionals, members of the Board, school administrators, and members of the public.

[See BDF for required membership of the DEIC.]

WELLNESS PLAN

The DEIC shall develop a wellness plan to implement the District's nutrition guidelines and wellness goals. The wellness plan shall, at a minimum, address:

1. Strategies for soliciting involvement by and input from persons interested in the wellness plan and policy;
2. Objectives, benchmarks, and activities for implementing the wellness goals;
3. Methods for measuring implementation of the wellness goals;
4. The District's standards for foods and beverages provided, but not sold, to students during the school day on a school campus; and
5. The manner of communicating to the public applicable information about the District's wellness policy and plan.

The DEIC shall review and revise the plan at least every 3 years and recommend revisions to the wellness policy when necessary. This shall be referred to as the Triennial Assessment, and will include information on compliance, alignment to model policies, and progress toward policy goals.

NUTRITION
GUIDELINES

FOODS AND
BEVERAGES SOLD

The District's nutrition guidelines for reimbursable school meals and all other foods and beverages sold or marketed to students during the school day shall be designed to promote student health and reduce childhood obesity and shall be at least as restrictive as federal regulations and guidance, except when the District allows an exemption for fundraising activities as authorized by state and federal rules. [See CO and FJ]

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In addition to legal requirements, the District shall:

1. Be allowed 6 exempt food fundraisers or school-designated events per campus per school year. The exempt events shall not occur during campus meal times and/or where meals are served. The foods and beverages sold for fundraisers on allowable days are not required to meet standards outlined in the Code of Federal Regulations.
2. Prohibit the selling of soft drinks during the school day to any age/grade group. For purposes of this section, soft drinks are defined as non-juice, carbonated beverages that contain natural or artificial sweeteners.
3. Enforce time and place "Smart Snack" restrictions for all age/grade groups:
 - a. An elementary school campus may not sell competitive foods to students anywhere on the school campus throughout the school day except for those food items made available by the school food and nutrition department.
 - b. A middle or junior high school campus may not sell competitive foods to students anywhere on the school campus from 30 minutes before to 3 minutes after meal periods except for those food items made available by the school food and nutrition department.
 - c. A high school campus may not sell competitive foods to students during meal periods in areas where reimbursable school meals are served except for those food items made available by the school food and nutrition department.

FOODS AND
BEVERAGES
PROVIDED

The District shall establish standards for all foods and beverages provided, but not sold, to students during the school day. These standards shall be addressed in the District's wellness plan.

In addition to legal requirements, the District shall:

1. Require students not to share their food or beverages with others, as some students have physician ordered dietary restrictions. To prevent food waste and unintended personal sharing, schools may set up share tables for food items students do not want. Guidelines and procedures must be followed as established by Food and Nutrition Services and school.

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2. Allow elementary classroom parties so long as they are after the class lunch period unless the lunch meal is provided by the food and nutrition department.
3. Set campus procedures to define how and when a parent gives “official” authority to another adult acting on behalf of the parent to provide foods and/or beverages to a student during the school day.
4. Not allow school staff to use food as a reward, incentive, or punishment for students.

WELLNESS GOALS

NUTRITION
PROMOTION AND
EDUCATION

The District shall implement, in accordance with law, a coordinated school health program with a nutrition education component. [See EHAA] The District’s nutrition promotion activities shall encourage participation in the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, and any other supplemental food and nutrition programs offered by the District.

The District establishes the following goals for nutrition promotion:

1. The District’s food service staff, teachers, and other District personnel shall consistently promote healthy nutrition messages in cafeterias, classrooms, and other appropriate settings.
2. The District shall share educational nutrition information with families and the general public to promote healthy nutrition choices and positively influence the health of students.
3. The District shall ensure that food and beverage advertisements accessible to students outside of school hours on District property contain only products that meet the federal guidelines for competitive foods.

The District establishes the following goals for nutrition education:

1. The District shall deliver nutrition education that fosters the adoption and maintenance of healthy eating behaviors.
2. The District shall make nutrition education a District-wide priority and shall integrate nutrition education into other areas of the curriculum, as appropriate.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

The District shall implement, in accordance with law, a coordinated health program with physical education and physical activity components and shall offer at least the required amount of physical activity for all grades. [See BDF, EHAA, EHAB, and EHAC]

The District establishes the following goals for physical activity:

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1. The District shall provide an environment that fosters safe, enjoyable, and developmentally appropriate fitness activities for all students, including those who are not participating in physical education classes or competitive sports.
2. The District shall provide appropriate staff development and encourage teachers to integrate physical activity into the academic curriculum where appropriate.
3. The District shall make appropriate before-school and after-school physical activity programs available and shall encourage students to participate.

OTHER SCHOOL-
BASED ACTIVITIES

The District establishes the following goals to create an environment conducive to healthful eating and physical activity and to promote and express a consistent wellness message through other school-based activities:

1. The District shall allow sufficient time for students to eat meals in cafeteria facilities that are clean, safe, and comfortable.
2. The District shall promote wellness for students and their families at suitable District and campus activities.
3. The District shall promote employee wellness activities and involvement at suitable District and campus activities.

IMPLEMENTATION

The Director of Special Programs shall oversee the implementation, assessment, and updating of this policy and the development and implementation of the wellness plan and appropriate administrative procedures.

EVALUATION

The District shall comply with federal requirements for evaluating this policy and the wellness plan.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The District shall annually inform and update the public about the content and implementation of the wellness policy, including posting on its website copies of the wellness policy, the wellness plan, and the required implementation assessment.

RECORDS RETENTION

The District shall retain all the required records associated with the wellness policy, in accordance with law and the District's records management program. [See CPC and FFA(LEGAL)]