COMPETITIVE FOODS/VENDING MACHINES

Any sale of food and beverages to students in the cafeteria during school hours will be under the supervision of the school Food Service Department and the revenue will be deposited to the food service account. Individual components of the reimbursable meals will be sold as separate items during the meal service period. Money received from the sales will accrue to the school food service fund.

The sale of all competitive food and beverages to students during the school hours shall be limited to those approved by the Secretary of Agriculture and controlled by the Principal.

Vending machines in the schools will be controlled so that they will not offer competition to the school lunch program or encourage poor eating habits. Vending machines may be operated by the school in the employee lounge for employee use only.

Students will be permitted to bring their lunches from home and to purchase beverages and a la carte items at school.

Students are not permitted to bring beverages from home for consumption during their lunch period unless the beverage is approved by the Principal.

Parents are not permitted to bring restaurant food to their child, or their child's friends, for consumption during their lunch period.

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