

FOOD SERVICES MANAGEMENT

In participating in the National School Lunch Program and in establishing a cafeteria which serves hot lunches in each school, the School Committee not only wishes to provide a necessary food service for students and staff, but it also hopes that students will gain through this lunch program an understanding and permanent habits of good nutrition.

The school lunch program shall be under the supervision of the Food Service Director. The Food Service Director, reporting to the Director of Finance and Operations, shall be responsible for the planning of food services, as well as for assuring that dietary and nutritional requirements are met in the meals served.

A cafeteria manager shall have charge of meal preparation and/or service in each elementary and secondary school. In organizational relationship, the cafeteria managers are directly responsible to the Food Service Director, but shall cooperate with the Principal of the school in matters essential to the proper functioning of the food service program. The responsibility for control of students using the cafeteria shall rest with the building Principal.

The food services program is expected to be self-sufficient. Prices charged in the cafeterias, subject to regulations of the State Department of Elementary and Secondary Education shall be expected to pay for the cost of food and labor.

The School Committee shall approve the prices set for student lunches and milk. The Director of Finance and Operations shall establish the price of meals for staff members, subject to the approval of the Superintendent. As required of participants in the National School Lunch Program, prices charged to adults shall be higher than the price charged to students and include appropriate Massachusetts Meals Tax.

Additionally, the School Committee agrees to all regulations for participation in the National School Lunch Program.

Students shall also be permitted to bring their lunches from home and to purchase beverages and incidental items.

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