

## **ELEMENTARY LUNCH PROGRAM**

### Background

The Mt. Lebanon School Board permits parents of elementary pupils to have their children return home for lunch, since all elementary schools of the District are situated within walking distance.

### Objective

It is the objective of this policy to assure that appropriate lunchroom facilities are managed in such a way as to make reasonable provision for elementary school children.

### Policy

It shall be the policy of the Board to:

1. Permit parents to have their elementary students return home for lunch.
2. Maintain lunchroom facilities for elementary students who do not return home for lunch.
3. Authorize the establishment of guidelines and procedures for regulating use of the lunchroom for elementary students who remain at school for lunch.

### Administrative Responsibility

It shall be the Administration's responsibility to:

1. Permit parents of elementary students to have their children return home for lunch.
2. Make appropriate provision for elementary students who will use the lunchroom facilities at each elementary school.
3. Permit building principals to establish criteria for regulating use of lunchroom facilities. Consideration should be given to the following factors:
  - a. Facilities and supervision
  - b. Student health, safety and welfare
  - c. Family/student circumstances

4. Provide, under the Superintendent of Schools, consistency in applying the regulation of lunchroom use from school to school insofar as is practical, but subject to input from principals due to different circumstances and facilities in each elementary school.
5. Implement a system of permission slips or other means to identify students who will return home for lunch and those who will remain at school.
6. Recruit, assign, and train persons to provide appropriate supervision for the lunchroom facilities and play areas during the lunch period.
7. Establish any procedures necessary to implement this policy.

Communication

This policy shall be communicated to:

1. All school personnel involved in the implementation of this policy
2. Elementary parents at the beginning of each school year and to parents of new students at time of enrollment
3. The Mt. Lebanon community

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