# Business and Noninstructional Operations

# FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND

The Board of Trustees 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 foods and supplies, the planning of menus, and the auditing of all food service accounts for the district.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all food services administrators and personnel possess appropriate qualifications and receive ongoing professional development related to the effective management and implementation of the district's food services program.

At least once each year, food service administrators, other appropriate personnel who conduct or oversee administrative procedures, and other food service personnel shall receive training provided by the California Department of Education (CDE). (42 USC 1776)

#### Meal Sales

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)

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend meal prices, based on the costs of providing food services and consistent with Education Code 38084 and 42 USC 1760, 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.

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

## 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)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that state and federal funds provided through school meal programs are allocated only for purposes related to the operation or improvement of food services and reasonable and necessary indirect program costs as allowed by law. Program financial reports shall be presented regularly to the Board.

# FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND (continued)

### Contracts with Outside Services

With Board approval, the district may enter into a contract for food service consulting services or management services in one or more district schools. (Education Code 45103.5; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.16)

### **Program Monitoring and Evaluation**

The Superintendent or designee shall provide all necessary documentation required for the Administrative Review conducted by the CDE to ensure compliance of the district's food service program with federal requirements related to maintenance of the nonprofit school food service account, paid lunch equity, revenue from nonprogram goods, indirect costs, and USDA foods.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE 38080-38086 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 49554 Contract for services HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 113700-114437 California Retail Food Code CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 15550-15565 School lunch and breakfast programs UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42 1751-1769j School lunch programs 1771-1791 Child nutrition, including: 1773 School breakfast program <u>CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 2</u> 255 Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7 210.1-210.31 National School Lunch Program 220.1-220.21 National School Breakfast Program 250.1-250.70 USDA foods

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