Board Policy G-6:
Child Nutrition Food Service Management

REFERENCES

G-6: Administrative Procedures, Child Nutrition and Food Service Management
Emergency Food Assistance Act, 7 U.S.C. 7501, et seq.
Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 7
Utah Code Ann. §26A-1-121, Standards and Regulations Adopted by Local Board
Utah Code Ann. §53E-3-510, School Lunch Program
Utah Code Ann. §53G-9-205, School Breakfast Program
Utah Code Ann. §53G-9-205.1, Start Smart Utah Program
Utah Admin. Code R392, Health Disease Control and Prevention, Environmental Services
Board Policy G-3: Wellness

THE POLICY

The Salt Lake City School District Board of Education recognizes that an unhealthy diet not only negatively impacts students’ health, but also their ability and motivation to learn. To that end, the board has developed and implemented a comprehensive food service program to provide students with healthy and nutritious foods, and promote long-term healthy eating habits. The district’s child nutrition department will work closely with school administrators to provide nutritious meals with variety, appeal, and value for all students in a caring, safe, and nurturing environment.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that every school operates a food service program that provides students with access to the varied and nutritious foods they need to stay healthy and learn. The child nutrition program will not discriminate against, nor physically segregate, any student because of the student's inability to pay the full price of a meal or milk. Schools must ensure that students eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals, or whose meal accounts have a low balance or are delinquent, are not easily identifiable or subject to ridicule, or embarrassment. The child nutrition program is an essential educational and support program, and budget neutrality or profit generation will not take precedence over the nutritional needs of the district's students.

The district participates in the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, Nutrition Education and Training Program, Summer Food Service Program, and other food distribution programs according to its permanent agreement with the Utah State Board of Education. When feasible, the district will sponsor additional food service programs to support students, such as After School Snack Program, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, Community Eligibility Provision, Breakfast in the Classroom, catering, vending, etc.

The district has set forth its specific processes for implementing this board policy through the accompanying administrative procedures.