

COMPETITIVE FOOD SALES—SALES OF FOODS IN COMPETITION WITH THE SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

RSU No. 5 supports good nutrition as part of a school environment that contributes to student health and encourages positive food choices and eating habits. The Board of Directors believes that nutrition influences a student's ability to take full advantage of the school system's educational program and is, therefore, related to student achievement.

The Board also recognizes that proceeds from the sale of foods and beverages outside of the School Breakfast and Lunch Programs ("Competitive Foods") are a significant source of funds for student activities that RSU No. 5 might not otherwise be able to provide. These foods and beverages may be made available for sale to students on the school campus during the school day and the Board has adopted this policy to govern the sale of these items on school property.

RESTRICTION ON SALE OF COMPETITIVE FOODS

Any food or beverage sold at any time on school property of a school participating in the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs shall be a planned part of the total food service program of the school and shall include only those items which contribute both to the nutritional needs of children and the development of desirable food habits, and shall not include foods of minimal nutritional value as defined in applicable federal regulations, except as provided for by Board policy in certain circumstances.

During the school day, non-Food Service Program sales and nutrition requirements of foods and beverages on school property by any person, group or organization must comply with 7 CFR § 210.11.

FUNDS FROM SALES OF COMPETITIVE FOODS

Funds from all food and beverage sales made at any time on school property shall accrue to the benefit of the school's non-profit school food service program, except that funds raised through authorized sales outside the total food service program shall accrue to the sponsoring school or approved student organization in accordance with applicable policies, cash-management procedures and administrative directives, or to the sponsor of a community event that is held on school property in accordance with the Board's facilities use policy.

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Superintendent/designee shall be responsible for enforcement of this policy. A school unit employee who observes conduct they believe to be a violation of this policy or is informed of such conduct by a parent, student or community member should contact the building administrator or Superintendent/designee.

Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA §§, 7 CFR § 210.11

Cross References: JJE - Student Fundraising Activities

JJF - Student Activities Funds
JL - Student Wellness
KF - Community Use of School Facilities
KJA - Relations With Booster Organizations

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