



# International Leadership of Texas

## Child Nutrition Department Competitive Food Waiver Form

The Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 directed the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to establish nutrition standards for all foods and beverages sold to students in school during the school day, including foods sold through school fundraisers. (Foods sold at after-school sporting events or other activities will not be subject to these requirements.)

### **Exempt Fundraisers**

Exempt foods and beverages may be sold anywhere on the campus except during meal service times and in areas where school meals are served. The Texas Department of Agriculture has given Charter Schools six exempt fundraiser days per year, per campus allowing them to sell foods and/or beverages that do not meet the Competitive Food Nutrition Standards. If foods and beverages sold to student that do not the Competitive Food Nutrition Standards, the rules for waivers must be followed: To be eligible for a waiver, the Charter must adhere to the following criteria:

1. Must apply for the waiver three weeks before the day of the fundraiser
2. Only six exempt fundraiser days per year, per campus
3. Submit one waiver for each event
4. The waiver cannot be applied to vending machine sales
5. Foods and /or beverages under the waiver may not be sold during service meal services. For example, if ILTEXAS meal service is from 10:59 am to 1:14 pm the competitive food and/or beverage cannot be sold from 10:59 pm to 1:14 pm
6. Must be in compliance with the ILTEXAS local school wellness policy

For additional information and guidelines on competitive foods, please click the link: ARM Section 22 Competitive Foods.

The Child Nutrition Department at IL TEXAS is pleased to assist you with any inquiries regarding the Competitive Food Exemption Waiver Form. Please feel free to email your question(s) to [childnutrition@iltexas.org](mailto:childnutrition@iltexas.org).

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Complete and submit the competitive food waiver form three weeks prior to the day of the event.

- **Campus Selection:** Select the school from the drop-down
- **Grade Levels Involved:** Specify the grade level of the participants
- **Event Title:** Clearly state the name of the event or competition. Be concise and accurate
- **Event Date:** Select the date
- **Event Description:** Provide a brief description of the food-related activity or event. Within the description provide the time of the event. If there are specific food items involved (e.g., hot dogs, ice cream), mention them in the description
- **Principal Authorization:** The Principal must authorize the form with a signature.

Please email the completed form to [childnutrition@iltexas.org](mailto:childnutrition@iltexas.org).

Campus :

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Grade(s):

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Event:

\_\_\_\_\_

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_

Description:

### PRINCIPAL AUTHORIZATION

APPROVED

DENIED

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CHILD NUTRITION DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

APPROVED

DENIED

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Exec. Director Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Exec. Director Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_