

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION
Chester, New Jersey

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☒ **Monitored**
☐ **Mandated**
☐ **Other Reasons**

Policy

FOOD SERVICE

The school lunch program shall make a nutritionally adequate lunch available to every student and shall operate on the most economically feasible basis.

It shall be operated in strict compliance with all laws and regulations pertaining to health, sanitation and safety; internal accounting; employment practices; nutritional standards; costs of lunches; and periodic reporting required by New Jersey law.

The chief school administrator is responsible for the administration and operation of the school lunch program in keeping with federal and state laws and the policies and directives of the board.

The food service contractor will provide monthly financial reports to the board and will hold periodic meetings with the board secretary to review operations. The cafeterias are to be operated on a nonprofit basis. A periodic review of the cafeteria accounts shall be made by the business official. Surplus funds shall be used to reduce the cost of the service to the students or to purchase cafeteria equipment.

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Key Words

School Lunch, Food Service, Nutrition, Wellness,

<u>Legal References:</u>	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:11-1	General mandatory powers and duties
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-5	Exceptions to requirement for advertising
	<u>See particularly:</u>	
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-5a(6)	
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-6	Standards for purchase of fresh milk; penalties; rules and regulations
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:33-3 through -5	Cafeterias for students
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:54-20	Powers of board (county vocational schools)
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:58-7.1 through -7.2	School lunch program ...
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 2:36-1.1 et seq.	Child Nutrition Programs
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:23A-16.5	Supplies and equipment
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:30-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts

Possible

<u>Cross References:</u>	*1200	Participation by the public
	*1220	Ad hoc advisory committees
	*3000/3010	Concepts and roles in business and noninstructional operations; goals and objectives
	*3220/3230	State funds; federal funds
	*3450	Money in school buildings
	*3510	Operation and maintenance of plant
	*3542.1	Local wellness/Nutrition
	*3542.31	Free or reduced-price lunches/milk
	*3542.44	Purchasing

FOOD SERVICE (continued)

*4222	Noninstructional aides
*5131	Conduct/discipline
9123	Appointment of board secretary
9124	Appointment of business official

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.