COMPETITIVE FOOD SALES/ VENDING MACHINES

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Purpose: To establish basic structure for the sale of competitive foods at school.

Good nutrition is essential to peak academic performance for students and to long-term health. The district supports nutrition programs and nutrition education as an integral part of a high-quality education.

To ensure that foods served at school address modern nutritional needs and to protect the health of students, the principal will exercise control over the sale of non-cafeteria/competitive food. For purposes of this policy, "competitive food" means any food that is sold in competition with the school breakfast or lunch program.

The district will not permit vending machines and the sale of competitive foods in the elementary schools, middle schools, high schools, and career centers in accordance with this policy. Schools will not offer or sell any competitive foods in the food service area during meal periods.

Schools will not operate any vending machines that are accessible to students on any campus during breakfast or lunch times. All school vending machines will contain foods and beverages that meet Smart Snacks requirements.

Schools will not offer or sell (exempt fundraiser) other non-cafeteria/competitive foods to students on campus from during breakfast or lunch times.

The principal is responsible for ensuring that foods from vending machines and/or other non-cafeteria/competitive foods are sold in compliance with federal guidelines, state regulations, and district policy.

The board authorizes the superintendent and/or principal to close a canteen or discontinue the sale of competitive foods if not properly operated.

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