

Non-instructional Operations

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

The objectives of the Food and Nutrition Service program are to: (1) provide school food services consistent with the nutritional needs of students and (2) provide school food services that contribute to the student's educational experiences and to the development of desirable eating habits.

The Food and Nutrition Service program shall be operated on a non-profit, non-loss basis in accordance with the Board's contractual agreement with the Florida Department of Education and in compliance with Florida Statutes, State Board of Education Rules, and the National Child Nutrition (P.L. 89-642) and School Lunch (P.L. 79-396) Acts.

In compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, all students determined to be economically needy are to be provided, upon request, a free or reduced price meal or meals at school. Such determination shall be made in accordance with a publicly announced plan applied equitably to all families in the school district.

Responsibility for the administration and operation of the Food and Nutrition Service program is at the district level. Accounting and fiscal control, purchasing, inservice education and the development of standardized recipes and district-wide menu planning are district level services.

Expenditures from the Food and Nutrition Service Operating Fund, shall be in compliance with the State Board of Education Rules: 6A-1.012, Purchasing Policies; and National School Lunch Act Regulations 7CFR 210 through 250.

The Board shall approve any change in the prices for student meals, sold in the schools. Prices of individually priced food and beverage items and adult meals shall be determined by the food service director.

Purchase of equipment for the Food and Nutrition Service program shall be in compliance with State Board of Education Rules: 6A-2, Educational Facilities; 6A-7.040; 6A-7.042, and National School Lunch Act Regulations 7CFR Parts 210 through 250.

All Food and Nutrition Service personnel employed after September 1, 1973 shall be paid on an hourly basis except food service managers, food service manager trainees, satellite assistants, and assistants to the food service manager.

School-allied special programs are permitted to contract with Food and Nutrition Service for meals and supplemental nourishments upon approval by the Superintendent of Schools.

Meals for non-school allied community groups may be provided if a written contract is approved by the Board. The Board shall be fully compensated for the full cost of services provided.

The Chief Business Officer, under the direction of the Superintendent of Schools, shall administer the School Food and Nutrition Service program.

The document entitled **Department of Food and Nutrition Procedures, Section A, Program Authority, Miami-Dade County Public Schools** is incorporated by reference in this rule and is a part hereof. **The Department of Food and Nutrition Procedures, Section A, Program Authority, Miami-Dade County Public Schools** is on file in the Office of Board Recording Secretary and in the Citizen Information Center.

This document sets forth specific policies which shall be the basis for the **Department of Food and Nutrition Procedures** which outline the procedures for the implementation of the program according to Board rules.

Specific Authority: 230.22(2); 230.23(22) F.S.

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