

POLICY

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

Related Entries: Policy 701

Responsible Offices: OFFICE OF FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

STUDENT NUTRITION SERVICES

A. PURPOSE

To establish a policy that addresses student nutrition education goals and nutrition standards for all foods made available on school property or through school sponsored events.

B. ISSUE

AACPS recognizes that sound nutrition contributes to a healthy lifestyle.

C. POSITION

1. School breakfast and lunch service will be provided at all schools.
2. School meals shall provide students with well balanced nutrition that will meet or exceed all provisions and guidelines required by National School Nutrition Programs.
3. No food or beverage offered for sale on school premises shall compete with school lunch or breakfast programs.
4. All foods made available on school property or through school-sponsored activities shall comply with State and local food, safety, and sanitation regulations.
5. Children require sufficient quantities of nutritious food for proper growth. Food and Nutrition Services promotes growth and development by providing students with healthy food choices. These choices include grain products, vegetables, and fruits, low-fat milk products or other calcium-rich foods, beans, lean meat, poultry, fish, or other protein-rich foods.
6. Food and beverages offered in elementary, middle, and high schools, as an alternative to or in addition to the reimbursable meal, will be offered in portion sizes that are age appropriate and are consistent with federal, State, and local laws.

7. Schools are encouraged to promote healthy food and beverage choices for vending and during school events where foods and beverages are available to students.
8. Schools are encouraged to consider wellness issues and student allergies when planning incentive and promotional activities.
9. School staff is encouraged to set a positive example by following nutrition guidelines, as defined above, when interacting with students.
10. The Office of Food and Nutrition Services will provide guidance and information to school administrators and organization representatives, as necessary.
11. The prices of school meals and milk will be approved by the Board.

D. DESIRED OUTCOME

Nutrition policies are being met at an appropriate level throughout the school system.

E. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

The Superintendent will publish regulations and supporting documents to implement this policy.

F. REVIEW AND REPORTING

Refer to Wellness Policy.

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