

CHILD NUTRITION AND WELLNESS

Understanding the important role nutrition plays in healthy life-style choices and in the educational process, the Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to develop and implement an efficient and effective nutrition program for the students and employees of the District that is in compliance with state and federal regulations, this policy, and sound nutritional practices.

Financial Management

The Child Nutrition Program (CNP) shall financially operate on a non-profit, self-sustaining basis and as a participant in the National School Lunch Program comply with applicable U.S. Department of Agriculture regulations. The District shall be responsible for paying the employer costs of FICA, kitchen utilities and nonpayment of meals provided to students. All other associated costs shall be the responsibility of the CNP. Parents and/or guardians are encouraged to pay for student meals in advance to avoid a negative account balance. Parents and/or guardians may view their student meal balances in the student records software.^[1] Parents and/or guardians may request a refund of lunch account balances by contacting the Food Service Supervisor. Refunds will be mailed by check to the parent/guardian. Cash refunds are not permitted. Balances may also be transferred to a sibling's account at any time by contacting the CNP office.^[1] Parents and/or guardians are responsible for timely meal payments and measures will be taken to collect on outstanding accounts. Students will be provided a meal regardless of their current account balance. Ala carte menu items are supplemental to the meal and must be paid for at the time of purchase or require a positive account balance.

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