

**MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT #134
POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL
SECTION 700 – Support Services**

SCHOOL MEALS.....POLICY 770

The District will operate school breakfast, lunch, and special milk programs for the benefit of the regularly enrolled students of the District and authorized adults. The programs will be operated in compliance with all appropriate United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations concerning the operation of food programs.

The District supports the philosophy of the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs and shall provide wholesome, appetizing, and nutritious meals for children in our District’s schools. Because of potential liability to the District, the food services program shall not accept donations of food without the approval of the food services Supervisor. Should the District approve a food donation, the Superintendent shall designate the food services Supervisor to establish inspection and handling procedures for the food and determine that the provisions of all state & local laws have been met and consult with local public health districts before selling the food as part of the school meals.

The programs will be financed through allowable regular or special funds in this District, including the Commodity Support Program. The programs will be operated so that their regular operating costs come from the state and federal programs as well as money collected from the sale of meals to students and adults. The price of the sale of meals to students and adults will be established annually by the Board based on recommendations by food service personnel.

When necessary, the Board may expend capital or operating funds for support of the programs, subject to the regular budgetary procedures of the District.

Qualifications of School Food Service Staff

Qualified nutrition professionals will administer our school meal programs. As part of the District’s responsibility to operate a food service program, continuing professional development opportunities may be provided to select District nutrition professionals. These development programs should include appropriate certification and/or training programs for child nutrition directors, school nutrition managers, and cafeteria workers, according to their levels of responsibility. The District may consult with the School Nutrition Association for such professional development offerings.

Community Involvement

The District shall promote activities to involve students and parents in the school lunch and breakfast programs. Such activities may include teaching students about good nutrition practices and involving the school faculty and the general community in activities to enhance the programs.

To the maximum extent practical, the District shall inform families about the availability of breakfast for students. Information shall be distributed just prior to or at the beginning of the school year. Additional reminders may be sent throughout the school year and/or posted to the School District's website.

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POLICY/PROCEDURE REFERENCE:

770-P1 Lunch Charge Procedure
770-P2 Food Service HACCP Plan

LEGAL REFERENCE:

National School Lunch Program
42 USC 1751, *et seq.*
7 CFR Part 210

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