

NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

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1 Food Services

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3 The District supports the philosophy of the National School Lunch Program and will provide  
4 wholesome, appetizing, and nutritious meals for children in District schools. The Board may  
5 authorize a portion of federal funds received in lieu of taxes to be used to provide free meals for  
6 federally connected indigent pupils.

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8 Because of the potential liability of the District, the food services program will not accept  
9 donations of food without approval of the Board. Should the Board approve a food donation, the  
10 Superintendent will establish inspection and handling procedures for the food and determine that  
11 provisions of all state and local laws have been met before selling the food as part of school  
12 meals.

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14 Commodities

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16 The District will use food commodities made available under the Federal Food Commodity  
17 Program for school meals.

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19 Free and Reduced-Price Food Services

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21 The District will provide free and reduced-price meals to students, according to the terms of the  
22 National School Lunch Program and the laws, rules, and regulations of the state. The District  
23 will inform parents of the eligibility standards for free or reduced-price meals. Identity of  
24 students receiving free or reduced-price meals will be confidential, in accordance with National  
25 School Lunch Program guidelines. A parent has the right to appeal to a designated hearing  
26 official any decision with respect to his or her application for free or reduced-price food services.

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28 The Board may establish programs whereby meals may be provided in the District in accordance  
29 with National School Lunch Program guidelines.

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31 The amount charged for such meals shall be sufficient to cover all costs of the meals, including  
32 preparation labor and food, handling, utility, and equipment depreciation costs. Meal fees will  
33 be established annually at the June board meeting.

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35	Legal Reference:	§ 20-10-204, MCA Duties of trustees
36		§ 20-10-205, MCA Allocation of federal funds to school food services
37		fund for federally connected, indigent pupils
38		§ 20-10-207, MCA School food services fund
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40 Policy History:

41 Adopted on: February 2007

42 Revised on: