

SCHOOL FOOD PROGRAM

The school district will operate a school lunch and breakfast program in each attendance center. The school food program services will include hot lunches through participation in the National School Lunch Program and supplementary foods for students during the school day. Students may bring their lunches from home and purchase milk or juice and other incidental items.

School food service facilities are provided to serve students and employees when school is in session and during school-related activities. They may also be used under the supervision of the Director of Auxiliary Services for food service to employee groups, parent-teacher meetings, civic organizations meeting for the purpose of better understanding the schools, and senior citizens in accordance with board policy.

The school food program is operated on a nonprofit basis and will comply with all regulations pertaining to health, sanitation and service of foods. The revenues of the school food program will be used only for paying the regular operating costs of the school food program. Supplies of the school food program and items furnished by the U.S.D.A. will only be used for the school food program. School food services will meet all state and federal requirements for participation in state and federal programs.

The board will set, and periodically review, the prices for school lunches, breakfast and special milk programs. It will be the responsibility of the superintendent to make a recommendation regarding the prices of school lunch, breakfast and milk.

Employees, except for food service personnel, will be required to purchase adult-price tickets for meals consumed.

It will be the responsibility of the Director of Auxiliary Services to administer the program and to cooperate with the superintendent and head cook for the proper functioning of the school food program.

When a student/family lunch account is closed out the balance remaining will be refunded to the student's parents. If the ending balance is greater than \$3, a check will be issued and mailed to the address on file with the Director of Auxiliary Services. If the ending balance is less than \$3, a letter will be sent to the parents stating their options to pick up a cash refund or donate the ending balance to the nutrition fund of the Fairfield Community School District. The cash refund can be picked up at the A C T Center, 403 South 20th Street, Fairfield, Iowa. If the parent fails to respond to the letter, either in writing or verbally, within 30 days, a donation to the nutrition will be assumed.

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If a refund check is returned to the district as undeliverable by the U. S. Postal Service, attempts will be made to locate the family by other available means. However, if a forwarding address cannot be located, and the family does not contact the school district, the returned refund check will be considered void after six months time.

Legal Reference: 42 U.S.C. §§ 1751 et seq. (1988).
7 C.F.R. Pt. 210 et seq. (1993).
Iowa Code ch. 283A (1995).
281 I.A.C. 58.

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905 Use of School District Facilities and Equipment

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