EF - FOOD SERVICES

The District shall operate a food service program for its schools, which shall be under the supervision of the director of food service. As part of its food service program the District shall utilize the resources of the National School Lunch Program, where appropriate, to provide free and reduced-price meals to students and as an educational tool to encourage students to eat a variety of food that will provide them with a balanced diet. The District shall also encourage students to eat lunch and breakfast, where offered, at school.

In providing food services to District schools, the food service program shall:

1. Provide a school lunch program that meets the nutritional needs of all students in grades preschool through 12.

2. Prepare and maintain food in such as way as to protect its maximum nutritive value and safeguard it against contamination.

3. Serve breakfast and lunch for all students in a friendly, healthy, and physically adequate environment.

4. Use program accrued funds for improving the quality of meals and for purchasing and maintaining supplies, services, and equipment.

The director of food service shall cooperate with school principals to ensure proper functioning of the food service program. The principal is responsible for providing supervision of students using the school cafeteria. Only District food service workers and authorized student helpers shall be permitted behind the serving counter during lunch periods. No food shall be taken from the kitchen or cafeteria for personal use.

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