

# Stark County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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## FOOD SERVICE

### POLICY

The Stark County Board of Developmental Disabilities shall provide a Food Service Program for students enrolled in preschool through grade 12. Meals shall be available each day school is in session so long as resources allow and such service remains part of the Board's plan for services. The Superintendent's designee shall be responsible for the overall operation of the Food Service program and shall develop procedures to support this policy.

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### PROCEDURES

- I. The Food Service Program shall comply with all federal, state and local requirements including selection, wholesomeness, sanitation, safekeeping, food storage, preparation, consumption and waste disposal.
- II. All meals sold in the cafeterias shall be of sufficient nutritional value to meet one third of daily nutritional requirements.
- III. Cafeteria staff shall work with speech and/or occupational therapists to prepare food when results of eating and swallowing evaluations require modifications to the consistency and texture. Physician's orders as to food preparation and consumption of food shall be followed.
- IV. Staff, volunteers, and others may purchase food from the cafeteria on an a la carte basis that shall not be required to meet the above nutritional standards.
- V. Meal times shall be considered part of the instructional day for students. Lunch times shall be planned by the building principal/director. During this time, the staff shall assure that each student purchasing or provided a meal will be afforded a meal in accordance with the preparation/consumption needs required.
- VI. Lunch shall be available for all students, preschool through grade 12. Breakfast shall be available for grades K-12 and a daily snack shall be provided without charge to all preschool students.
- VII. Alternative lunches such as boxed lunches made necessary as a result of programming needs, including field trips, shall also meet the above standard for nutritional value.
- VIII. Access to vending machines shall be made available only during non-meal time or as reflected in the IEP or Behavior Support Plan.
- IX. All funds associated with operation of the Food Service Program shall be handled in accordance with the policies established by the Board's Finance Department.
- X. Superintendent's designee shall complete annual required paperwork in order for agency to participate in the National School Lunch Program (NDSL).