



Policy 5660

Non-Instructional/Business Operations

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

The Warsaw Central School District will provide a food service program that employs well prepared staff who serve appealing choices of nutritious food. To the extent feasible, the context of the program—food presentation, choices, service, cost, and eating environment—will encourage students to make healthy eating choices throughout their lives. Meals will be offered under the nutritional guidelines of the USDA's National School Lunch Program, and menus will be culturally sensitive. Information about the ingredients and nutritional value of foods served will be available upon request.

The District will employ a food service director who is properly qualified according to current professional standards to administer the program, assess its effectiveness, and satisfy reporting requirements.

The program will operate in compliance with all federal and state laws, regulations, and guidelines. The 2018-19 Executive Budget amended New York State Education Law 908 as added by Section 2 of Part B of Chapter 56 of the laws of 2018 ***Prohibition Against Meal Shaming***. Beginning with school year 2018-19, all public, non-public and charter school food authorities (SFAs) that require students to pay for a school breakfast and/or lunch meal must develop a written plan to ensure that a student whose parent or guardian has unpaid meal charges is not shamed or treated differently than a pupil whose parent or guardian does not have unpaid school meal charges.

The District encourages family involvement in the food service program. The District will communicate with families through publications and the District website. Parent and family participation may occur through dialogue in PTA and school-based planning team meetings as well as in other contexts. Suggestions that emerge from these dialogues may be forwarded to the food service director and/or the Superintendent for consideration and possible implementation.

Free and Reduced Meals

The District accepts responsibility for providing free and reduced price meals to District students who qualify. The Superintendent or designee will maintain regulations for carrying out the program in accordance with current state and federal laws and regulations.

Charge Policy

The Superintendent or designee will maintain procedures through which students may charge a limited number of meals and which assure that no student will be denied a meal under any circumstances. The procedures must be designed to maintain the integrity and dignity of students and households and to minimize harm to the student, as well as to establish effective approaches for communicating with parents and collecting outstanding balances.



Wellness and Nutrition

In conjunction with policy 5661 (Wellness), this policy addresses the wellness requirements of Section 204 of the Child Nutrition and Women, Infants and Children Reauthorization Act of 2004.

Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004,
PL 108-265

Child Nutrition Act 1966, 42 USC § 1771 et seq.

Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act 1946, 42 USC § 1751 et
seq.

§ 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 USC § 794 et seq.

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 USC §§ 1400-
1485

7 CFR Parts 15B, 210 and 220

Education Law §§ 902(b), 915, 918, 1604(28), 1709(22), 1709(23)
and 2503(9)(a)

8 NYCRR §§ 200.2(b)(1) and 200.2(b)(2)

Social Services Law § 95

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