

**BOARD POLICY: FOOD SERVICE AND SCHOOL AID FOR CHILDREN OF 8230
LOW INCOME FAMILIES**

Section A

Student eligibility for student aid, including free and reduced price lunches will be determined on the basis of family income and exceptional family expenditures criteria established by the state and/or federal agencies administering the school lunch program.

Section B

No physical segregation or any other form of segregation will occur for any student because of the student's receipt of student aid. Further, the names of eligible students receiving student aid will not be published, posted, or announced in any manner, and there will be no overt identification of any such students by use of special tokens or tickets or by any other means.

Section C

Students eligible for free or reduced price lunches will not be required to:

1. Work for their meals
2. Use a separate lunchroom
3. Go through a separate serving line
4. Enter the lunchroom through a separate entrance
5. Eat meals at a different time
6. Eat a different meal from the meal sold to students paying the full price of such meal

Section D

No student will be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, age, sex, handicap or any other legally protected class.

Section E

The administration will develop a procedure for collecting payments from students receiving partial student aid and/or who pay for a portion of those expenses, which will account for the total number of paid and full or partial student aid.

Section F

A collection procedure will be designed so that no student will be made consciously aware of the identity of students receiving student aid.

Section G

To assist students who are found eligible for full or partial student aid, the Board of Education will establish a student aid account in the educational fund budget. At the beginning of each fiscal year, the director of business affairs will budget in the account a sufficient amount of funds to pay for the anticipated student aid account expenses.

Section H

Whenever appropriate, recipients of these funds are encouraged to repay the funds received.

Section I

Items, which are loaned to students, will be properly cared for by the student and returned to the bookstore at the end of the school year. Any items not returned in good condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted, may be charged to the student, at the discretion of the superintendent or his designee.

Section J

The Director of Business Affairs will be responsible for the administration of the Student Aid Fund expenses for each school.

Section K

Assistance provided through the Student Aid Fund may be provided for education-related expenses.

Section L

The district administration will develop appropriate procedures and forms for the effective implementation of this policy. The District will maintain and use a fair hearing procedure to handle any parent appeal to decisions of the school relative to student eligibility or correctness of information contained in the application.

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