

**SALES OF FOODS IN COMPETITION
WITH THE SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM**

M.S.A.D. No. 75 supports good nutrition as part of a school environment that contributes to student health and encourages positive food choices and eating habits. The Board believes that nutrition influences a student's ability to take full advantage of the school system's educational program and is, therefore, related to student achievement.

The Board also recognizes that proceeds from the sale of foods and beverages outside the School Lunch Program ("competitive foods") are a significant source of funds for student activities that M.S.A.D. No. 75 might not otherwise be able to provide.

Restriction on Sale of Competitive Foods

Maine Department of Education Rule Chapter 51 mandates that any food or beverage sold at any time on school property of a school participating in the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs shall be a planned part of the total food service program of the school and shall include only those items which contribute both to the nutritional needs of children and the development of desirable food habits, and shall not include foods of minimal nutritional value as defined in applicable regulations, except as provided for by School Board policy in certain circumstances.

As allowed by Rule Chapter 51, the Board permits the sale of food and beverages outside the total program to:

1. School staff
2. Attendees at school-sponsored events held on school property
3. The public at community events held on school property in accordance with the Board's Facilities Use Policy

This policy applies to sales of foods and beverage sales made at any time on school property, except that funds raised through authorized sales outside the total food service program shall accrue to the sponsoring school or approved student organization in accordance with applicable policies, cash-management procedures and administrative directives.

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