

Policy No. 293

CHARTIERS-HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Section: STUDENTS

POLICY GUIDE

TITLE: STUDENT WELLNESS

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293. STUDENT WELLNESS

1. Purpose

Chartiers-Houston School District recognizes that student wellness and proper nutrition are related to students' physical well-being, growth, development and readiness to learn. The Board is committed to providing a school environment that promotes student wellness, proper nutrition, nutrition education and promotion, and regular physical activity as part of the total learning experience. In a healthy school environment, students will learn about and participate in positive dietary and lifestyle practices that can improve student achievement.

2. Authority
SC 1422.1
42 U.S.C.
Sec. 1758b
7 CFR
Sec. 210.31

To ensure the health and well-being of all Elementary Students, the Board establishes that the district shall provide to students:

1. A comprehensive nutrition program consistent with federal and state requirements.
2. Access at reasonable cost to foods and beverages that meet established nutrition guidelines.
3. Physical education courses and opportunities for developmentally appropriate physical activity during the school day.
4. Curriculum and programs for grades K-6 that are designed to educate students about proper nutrition and lifelong physical activity, in accordance with State Board of Education curriculum regulations and academic standards.

3. Delegation of
Responsibility
42 U.S.C.
Sec. 1758b
7 CFR

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for the implementation and oversight of this policy to ensure that Allison Park Elementary, programs and curriculum is compliant with this policy, related policies and established guidelines or administrative regulations.

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<p>Sec. 210.31</p> <p>7 CFR Sec. 210.31</p>	<p>The building principal or designee shall annually report to the Superintendent or designee regarding compliance in his/her school.</p> <p>Staff members responsible for programs related to school wellness shall report to the building principle or designee regarding the status of such programs annually.</p> <p>Evaluation of food services program.</p> <p>Review of all foods and beverages sold at Allison Park Elementary School for compliance with established nutrition guidelines.</p> <p>Listing of activities and programs conducted to promote nutrition and physical activity.</p> <p>Recommendations for policy and/or program revisions.</p> <p>Suggestions for improvement in specific areas.</p> <p>Feedback received from district staff, students, parents/guardians, community members and the Wellness Committee.</p>
<p>42 U.S.C. Sec. 1758b 7 CFR Sec. 210.31</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee and the established Wellness Committee shall conduct an assessment at least once every three (3) years on the contents and implementation of this policy as part of a continuous improvement process to strengthen the policy and ensure implementation. This triennial assessment shall be made available to the public in an accessible and easily understood manner and include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The extent to which Allison Park Elementary is in compliance with law and policies related to school wellness.2. A description of the progress made by the district in attaining the goals of this policy.
<p>7 CFR Sec. 210.31</p>	<p>At least once every three (3) years, the district shall update or modify this policy as needed, based on the results of the most recent triennial assessment and/or as district and community needs and priorities change; wellness goals are met; new health science, information and technologies emerge; and new federal or state</p>

<p>42 U.S.C. Sec. 1758b 7 CFR Sec. 210.31</p>	<p>guidance or standards are issued.</p> <p>The district shall annually inform and update the public, including parents/guardians, students and others in the community, about the contents, updates and implementation of this policy via the Allison Park Elementary website, student handbooks, newsletters, posted notices and/or other efficient communication methods. This annual notification shall include information on how to access the School Wellness policy; information about the most recent triennial assessment; information on how to participate in the development, implementation and periodic review and update of the School Wellness policy; and a means of contacting Wellness Committee leadership.</p>
<p>4. Guidelines</p>	<p><u>Recordkeeping</u></p> <p>The district shall retain records documenting compliance with the requirements of the School Wellness policy, which shall include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The written School Wellness policy.2. Documentation demonstrating that the district has informed the public, on an annual basis, about the contents of the School Wellness policy and any updates to the policy.3. Documentation of efforts to review and update the School Wellness policy, including who is involved in the review and methods used by the district to inform the public of their ability to participate in the review.4. Documentation demonstrating the most recent assessment on the implementation of the School Wellness policy and notification of the assessment results to the public.
<p>42 U.S.C. Sec. 1758b</p>	<p><u>Wellness Committee</u></p> <p>The district shall establish a Wellness Committee comprised of, but not necessarily limited to, at least one (1) of each of the following: School Board member, district</p>

<p>7 CFR Sec. 210.31</p>	<p>administrator, district food service representative, parent/guardian, school health professional, physical education teacher and member of the public.</p> <p>The Wellness Committee shall serve as an advisory committee regarding student health issues and shall be responsible for developing, implementing and periodically reviewing and updating a School Wellness policy that complies with law to recommend to the Board for adoption.</p> <p>The Wellness Committee shall review and consider evidence-based strategies and techniques in establishing goals for nutrition education and promotion, physical activity and other school based activities that promote student wellness as part of the policy development and revision process.</p> <p>The Wellness Committee may survey parents/guardians and/or students; conduct community forums or focus groups; collaborate with appropriate community agencies and organizations; and engage in similar activities, within the budget established for these purposes.</p>
<p>SC 1513 Pol. 102, 105</p>	<p><u>Nutrition Education</u></p> <p>Nutrition education will be provided within the sequential, comprehensive health education program in accordance with curriculum regulations and the academic standards for Health, Safety and Physical Education, and Family and Consumer Sciences.</p> <p>Nutrition education in the district shall teach, model, encourage and support healthy eating by students. Promoting student health and nutrition enhances readiness for learning and increases student achievement.</p> <p>Nutrition education shall provide all students with the knowledge and skills needed to lead healthy lives.</p> <p>Nutrition education may be integrated into other subjects such as math, science, language arts and social sciences to complement but not replace academic standards based on nutrition education.</p>

Pol. 808

Lifelong lifestyle balance shall be reinforced by linking nutrition education and physical activity.

Nutrition Promotion

Nutrition promotion and education positively influence lifelong eating behaviors by using evidence-based techniques and nutrition messages, and by creating food environments that encourage healthy nutrition choices and encourage participation in school meal programs.

Allison Park Elementary School shall promote nutrition where possible.

Physical Activity

Allison Park Elementary School shall strive to provide opportunities for developmentally appropriate physical activity during the school day for all students.

Age-appropriate physical activity opportunities, such as outdoor and indoor recess, before and after school programs, during lunch, clubs, intramurals and interscholastic athletics, shall be provided to meet the needs and interests of all students, in addition to planned physical education.

SC 1512.1
Pol. 102, 105

Allison Park Elementary School may partner with parents/guardians and community members and organizations, local and state parks, hospitals, etc., to institute programs that support lifelong physical activity.

Physical activity shall not be used or withheld as a form of punishment.

Students and their families shall be encouraged to utilize district-owned physical activity facilities, such as playgrounds and fields, outside school hours in accordance with established district rules.

Physical Education

A sequential physical education program consistent with curriculum regulations and Health, Safety and Physical Education academic standards shall be developed and implemented. All district students must participate in physical education.

A comprehensive physical education course of study that focuses on providing students the skills, knowledge and confidence to participate in lifelong, health-enhancing physical activity shall be implemented.

Adequate amounts of planned instruction shall be provided in order for students to achieve the proficient level for the Health, Safety and Physical Education academic standards.

Safe and adequate equipment, facilities and resources shall be provided for physical education courses.

Physical education shall be taught by certified health and physical education teachers.

{ } Physical activity shall not be used or withheld solely as a form of punishment.

Other School Based Activities

7 CFR
Sec. 210.10, 220.8

Drinking water shall be available and accessible to students, without restriction and at no cost to the student, at all meal periods and throughout the school day.

42 U.S.C.
Sec. 1751 et seq,
1773
7 CFR
Sec 210.30
Pol. 808

Nutrition professionals who meet hiring criteria established by the district and in compliance with federal regulations shall administer the school meals program. Professional development and continuing education shall be provided for district nutrition staff, as required by federal regulations.

Allison Park Elementary School shall provide adequate space, as defined by the district, for eating and serving school meals.

Students shall be provided a clean and safe meal environment.

Meal periods shall be scheduled at appropriate hours, as required by federal regulations and as defined by the district.

Students shall have access to hand washing or sanitizing before meals and snacks.

7 CFR
Sec. 210.10

Access to the food service operation shall be limited to authorized staff.

Students and parents/guardians may be involved in menu selections through various means, such as taste testing and surveys.

To the extent possible, the district shall utilize available funding and outside programs to enhance student wellness.

The district shall provide appropriate training to all staff on the components of the School Wellness policy.

Fundraising projects submitted for approval shall be supportive of healthy eating and student wellness with a few exceptions.

<p>42 U.S.C. Sec. 1751 et seq, 1773 7 CFR Sec. 210.10, 220.8</p> <p>7 CFR Sec. 210.11, 220.12a, 210.31</p> <p>7 CFR Sec. 210.11, 210.31</p> <p>7 CFR Sec. 210.11, 210.31</p>	<p>The district shall maintain a healthy school environment, including but not limited to indoor air quality, in accordance with the district's healthy learning environment program and applicable laws and regulations.</p> <p><u>Nutrition Guidelines for All Foods/Beverages at School</u></p> <p>All foods and beverages available at Allison Park Elementary during the school day shall be offered to students with consideration for promoting student health and reducing obesity.</p> <p>Foods and beverages provided through the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs shall comply with established federal nutrition standards.</p> <p>Foods and beverages offered or sold at school-sponsored events outside the school day, such as athletic events and dances, shall offer healthy alternatives in addition to more traditional fare.</p> <p><i>Competitive Foods –</i></p> <p>Competitive foods available for sale shall meet or exceed the established federal nutrition standards (USDA Smart Snacks in School). These standards shall apply in all locations and through all services where foods and beverages are sold to students, which may include, but are not limited to: a la carte options in cafeterias, vending machines, school stores, snack carts and fundraisers.</p> <p>Competitive foods are defined as foods and beverages offered or sold to students on school campus during the school day, which are not part of the reimbursable school breakfast or lunch.</p> <p>For purposes of this policy, school campus means any area of property under the jurisdiction of the school that students may access during the school day.</p> <p>For purposes of this policy, school day means the period beginning 30 minutes before school begins until the end of the official school day.</p>
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<p>7 CFR Sec. 210.11</p>	<p>The district may impose additional restrictions on competitive foods, provided that the restrictions are not inconsistent with federal requirements.</p>
<p>Pol. 229</p>	<p><i>Fundraiser Exemptions –</i></p> <p>Fundraising activities held during the school day involving the sale of competitive foods shall be limited to foods that meet the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, unless an exemption is approved in accordance with administrative regulations.</p>
<p>7 CFR Sec. 210.11</p>	<p>The district may allow a limited number of exempt fundraisers as permitted by the Pennsylvania Department of Education each school year: up to five (5) exempt fundraisers in elementary. Exempt fundraisers are fundraisers in which competitive foods are available for sale to students that do not meet the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards.</p>
	<p>The district shall establish administrative regulations to implement fundraising activities in district schools, including procedures for requesting a fundraiser exemption.</p>
	<p><i>Non-Sold Competitive Foods –</i></p> <p>Non-sold competitive foods available to students, which may include but are not limited to foods and beverages offered as rewards and incentives, at classroom parties and celebrations, or as shared classroom snacks, shall meet or exceed the standards established by the district.</p>
	<p>If the offered competitive foods do not meet or exceed the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, the following standards shall apply:</p>
	<p>1. Rewards and Incentives:</p> <p>a. Foods and beverages shall not be used as a reward for classroom or school activities unless the reward is an activity that promotes a positive nutrition message (e.g., guest chef, field trip to a farm or farmers market.</p>
	<p>2. Classroom Parties and Celebrations:</p> <p>a. Classroom parties shall offer a minimal amount of foods (maximum 2-3</p>

<p>7 CFR Sec. 210.11, 210.31</p> <p>SC 504.1</p> <p>Pol. 209.1</p>	<p>items) containing added sugar as the primary ingredient (e.g., cupcakes, cookies) and will provide the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fresh fruits/vegetables; and• Water, 100 percent juice, 100 percent juice diluted with water, low-fat milk or nonfat milk. <p>b. When possible, foods/beverages for parties and celebrations shall be provided by the food service department to help prevent food safety, allergy concerns and meet the standards for Smart Snack in School.</p> <p>c. Food celebrations shall not occur until thirty (30) minutes after the end of the last lunch period.</p> <p>3. Shared Classroom Snacks:</p> <p>a. Shared classroom snacks are not permitted.</p> <p>The district shall provide a list of suggested nonfood ideas and healthy food and beverage alternatives to parents/guardians and staff, which may be posted via the district website, student handbook, newsletters, posted notices and/or other efficient communication methods.</p> <p><i>Marketing/Contracting –</i></p> <p>Any foods and beverages marketed or promoted to students on the school campus during the school day shall meet or exceed the established federal nutrition standards (USDA Smart Snacks in School) and comply with established Board policy and administrative regulations.</p> <p>1.</p>
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References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 504.1, 1337.1, 1422, 1422.1, 1422.3, 1512.1, 1513

National School Lunch Program – 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1751 et seq.

School Breakfast Program – 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1773

Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 – P.L. 111-296

National Food Service Programs, Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations –
7 CFR Part 210, Part 220

Board Policy – 102, 103, 103.1, 105, 209.1, 229, 808

