

710.1 SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

The school district will operate a school nutrition program in each attendance center. The school nutrition program will include meals through participation in the National School Lunch Program. Students may bring their lunches from home and purchase milk and other incidental items.

School nutrition facilities are provided to serve students and employees when school is in session and during school-related activities. They may also be used under the supervision of the food service director for food service to employee groups, parent-teacher meetings, civic organizations meeting for the purpose of better understanding the schools, and senior citizens in accordance with law and board policy.

The school nutrition food program is operated on a nonprofit basis. The revenues of the school nutrition program will be used only for the operation or improvement of such programs. Supplies of the school nutrition program will only be used for the school nutrition program.

The board will annually review and set the prices for the nutrition programs. It is the responsibility of the superintendent to make a recommendation regarding the prices of school nutrition programs, in accordance with federal and state law.

It is the responsibility of the food service director to administer the program and to cooperate with the superintendent and appropriate personnel for the proper functioning of the school nutrition-program.

NOTE: *This is a mandatory policy.*

NOTE: *Superintendents will make the annual recommendation to the board after they have completed the Paid Lunch Equity (PLE) tool. For additional information, please visit the “Nutrition Programs” section of the Iowa Department of Education’s [website](#).*

Legal Reference:	42 U.S.C. §§ 1751 et seq. 7 C.F.R. §§ 210 et seq. Iowa Code § 283A. 281 I.A.C. 58.
Cross Reference:	710.2 Free or Reduced Cost Meals Eligibility 710.3 Vending Machines 710.4 Meal Charge Policy 905 Use of School District Facilities and Equipment