

Arlington Public Schools provides free and reduced price breakfasts and lunches to students according to the terms of the National School Lunch Programs (NSLP).

Arlington Public Schools determines student eligibility based on guidelines established by federal law. Eligible students are provided free or reduced priced meals. The Superintendent or designee establishes rules and procedures as needed to implement this policy.

The criteria for determining a student's eligibility and the procedures for securing free and reduced priced meals is publicly announced at the beginning of each school year. The public announcement shall contain: eligibility standards, procedures for making application, and procedures for appealing a decision denying an application.

The Food and Nutrition Services program (Program) strives to provide meals and snacks that are nutritious, healthy and appealing. Efforts are made to assure that the Program is environmentally sound and sensitive to current nutrition and health information.

Unless otherwise authorized by the School Board, the Program is self-supporting through the collection of sales revenues, eligible reimbursements from federal and state programs, and any other appropriate revenues. The Program revenue will support the cost of goods sold and the labor costs necessary to prepare and deliver the product and services.

Unpaid meal charges will be handled in accordance with Policy J-8.3.8.30 Food & Nutrition Services – Unpaid Meal Charges.

Arlington Public Schools provides food service support to ancillary system programs and Arlington County programs to the degree practicable.

References

Code of Virginia §22.1-89.1

Code of Virginia §22.1-115

Virginia Administrative Code 8VAC20-290-10

Virginia Administrative Code 8VAC20-580-10 through 8VAC20-580-100

National School Lunch Act, as amended, 42USC 1751-1769 and 42USC 1771-1793

Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR Part 210

Related Policies

Policy J-8.3.8.30 Food & Nutrition Services – Unpaid Meal Charges

Policy J-8.3.8.31 Food & Nutrition Services – Vending Machines

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