

## SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAMS

The Division recognizes the need for many students to remain at school over the lunch hour, and therefore commits to supporting School Lunch Programs in all schools. In making this commitment, the Division holds that the provision and supervision of the School Lunch Program is a responsibility shared by the School, the parents, the Parent Council, and the Division.

School Lunch Programs are subject to the structures and conditions identified in EF-R. This regulation is based upon the following principles, developed with school lunch program stakeholders:

- School Lunch Programs are available at all schools in the Division.
- Parent Councils with Principals, have the authority to make decisions governing the school's lunch supervision plan.
- Lunch supervisors will be afforded the opportunity to participate in a Divisional training in the areas of first aid/CPR, and student behaviour management.
- Twice yearly in the school newsletter, the parent community should be made aware of the School Lunch Program and the services it provides.
- Through the Parent Council, there should be opportunities for parents from the school community to have input into the shape of the School Lunch Program.
- There should be equity for schools and parents in terms of access to divisional support for School Lunch Programs.
  
- The operation of School Lunch Programs should generally be governed by the principle of "cost recovery."
- The criteria for distributing divisional support for school lunch programs should be the same for all schools in the Division.
- School Lunch Programs should be designed with an appropriate level of supervision for students based upon the age of the students and their developmental needs, the number of students staying for lunch, and the physical configuration of the rooms in the school that are utilized for lunch.
- School Lunch Programs should provide a safe and secure environment during the lunch period, and a reasonable amount of time for students to eat lunch.
- Principals have the ultimate responsibility for supervision of students in School Lunch Programs, and this responsibility is shared by parents, and the Division.

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