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- 1 The Board recognizes the value of proper nutrition, physical activity, and other health conscious
- 2 practices and the impact that such practices have on student academic achievement, health, and well-
- 3 being. In order to provide an environment conducive to overall student wellness, this policy shall be
- 4 followed by all schools in the district.¹

5 COMMITMENT TO COORDINATED SCHOOL HEALTH

- 6 All schools shall implement the CDC's Coordinated School Health approach to managing new and
- 7 existing wellness related programs and services in schools and the surrounding community based on
- 8 state law and State Board of Education CSH standards and guidelines. The district's Coordinated
- 9 School Health Coordinator shall be responsible for overseeing compliance with State Board of
- 10 Education CSH standards and guidelines in the school district.

11 SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL^{2,3}

- 12 A school district health advisory council shall be established to serve as a resource to school sites for
- implementing policies and programs and develop an active working relationship with the county health
- 14 council. The council shall consist of individuals representing the school and community, including
- parents, students, teachers, school administrators, health professionals, school food service
- representatives, and members of the public. The primary responsibilities of the council include but are
- 17 not limited to:

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- 1. Developing, implementing, monitoring, reviewing, and as necessary, making recommendations as to physical activity and nutrition policies;
- 2. Ensuring all schools within the district create and implement an action plan related to all School Health Index modules:
- 3. Ensuring that the results of the action plan are annually reported to the council; and
- 4. Ensuring that school level results include measures of progress on each indicator of the School Health Index.
- 28 The State Board of Education's Coordinated School Health and Physical Activity policies shall be used
- as guidance by the council to make recommendations. The Board will consider recommendations of
- 30 the council in making policy changes or revisions.

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- 1 Additionally, each school will have a Healthy School Team consisting of teachers, students, parents,
- 2 community members, and administrators.² The Team will hold Healthy School Team meetings during
- 3 the school year to assess needs and oversee planning and implementation of school health efforts. The
- 4 Director of Schools/designee will ensure compliance with the school wellness policy, to include an
- 5 assessment of the implementation of the wellness policy and the progress made in attaining the policy
- 6 goals. The assessment will be made available to the public.

COMMITMENT TO NUTRITION

- 8 All schools within the district shall participate in the USDA child nutrition programs, which may
- 9 include but not be limited to, the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, the
- 10 Summer Food Service Program, the After School Snack Program and the Fruit and Vegetable
- 11 program. 4,5,6

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- Meals shall be accessible to all students in a non-stigmatizing manner. Students will be given adequate
- time to enjoy healthy meals and relax in a pleasant environment. Good nutritional habits shall be
- encouraged. All food including vending machines, fundraising items, and concessions must meet
- guidelines set forth by the Healthy, Hunger-free Kids Act, 2010, Smart Snacks in Schools. 4,5,6 The
- school principal/designee shall be responsible for overseeing the school district's compliance with the
- 17 State Board of Education rules and regulations for sale of food items in the school district.^{2,5,6}

18 DISTRICT GOALS

- 19 The district will promote healthy nutrition through various activities, including nutrition related
- 20 newsletters, informational links on the district website, healthy eating posters and bulletin boards in
- 21 dining areas, and informational booths at various community functions. Nutrition education will be
- offered as part of a standards based program designed to provide students with the knowledge and
- 23 skills needed to promote and protect their health as outlined in the State Board of Education
- 24 Health Education and Lifetime Wellness Standards. Nutrition education will discourage teachers
- 25 from using high fat, sugar, and sodium foods as rewards and encourage students to start each day with
- a healthy breakfast. Water is provided at all schools for students and staff. Staff are encouraged to
- 27 model healthy eating and physical activity behavior.

28 COMMITMENT TO PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION⁷

- 29 The Board recognizes that physical activity is extremely important to the overall health of a child.
- 30 Schools shall support and promote physical activity. Physical activity may be integrated into any areas
- 31 of the school program.
- 32 Physical education classes shall be offered as part of a standards based program designed to provide
- developmentally appropriate moderate to vigorous physical activity as an integral part of the class. All
- 34 physical education classes shall comply with the State Board of Education's Physical Education
- 35 Standards. In addition to the district's physical education program, non-structured physical activity
- 36 periods shall be offered as required by law.
- 37 Schools shall continue to offer after school sports and activities. Physical activity shall not be
- 38 employed as a form of discipline or punishment.

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1 COMMITMENT TO CURRICULUM³

2 All applicable courses of study should be based on State-approved curriculum standards.

3 SCHOOL HEALTH INDEX³

- 4 All schools within the district shall annually administer a baseline assessment on each of the
- 5 recommended School Health Index modules. Results shall be submitted to the School Health Advisory
- 6 Council and reported to the State Department of Education.

7 RECORD KEEPING COMPLIANCE

- 8 The district's Coordinated School Health Coordinator shall ensure that records demonstrating
- 9 compliance with community involvement requirements are maintained. The Coordinated School
- 10 Health Coordinator shall additionally document that the school wellness policy and triennial
- assessments are made available to the public.⁸

Legal References

1. TCA 49-1-1002

2. State Board of Education Policy 4.204

3. State Board of Education Policy 4.206

4. 42 USCA § 1758b (Section 204 of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-296))

5. TRR/MS 0520-01-06

6. 7 C.F.R. § 210 and 220

7. TCA 49-6-1021

8. 7 C.F.R. § 210.31(f)

Cross References

Student Suicide Prevention 6.415