

BRIDGES PREPARATORY ACADEMY

**NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS CONCERNING THE SALE OF FOOD AND BEVERAGES
ON SCHOOL PREMISES**

The Board of Directors hereby adopts nutrition standards governing the types of food and beverages that may be sold on school premises and specifying the time and place for such approved food and beverages to be sold. No food or beverage may be sold on any School premises except in accordance with the standards herein.

Definitions:

“Regular school day” is the period each school day between the designated arrival time of students and the end of the final instructional period

“School premises” means, for the purpose of competitive food standards implementation, all areas of the property under the jurisdiction of the School that is accessible to students during the school day.

“Reimbursable meal” means a meal that is provided to students through a school breakfast or lunch program established under the "National School Lunch Act," 60 Stat. 230 (1946), 42 U.S.C. 1751, as amended, and the "Child Nutrition Act of 1966," 80 Stat. 885, 42 U.S.C. 1771, as amended, and that meets the criteria for reimbursement established by the United States department of agriculture.

“A la carte item” means an individually priced food or beverage item that is available for sale to students through any of the following:

- (1) A Food service program;
- (2) A vending machine located on the School premises
- (3) A store operated by the school, a student association, or other school-sponsored organization.

"A la carte item" does not include any food or beverage item available for sale in connection with a school-sponsored fundraiser held outside of the regular school day, any other school-sponsored event held outside of the regular school day, or an interscholastic athletic event. "A la carte item" also does not include any food or beverage item that is part of a reimbursable meal and that is available for sale as an individually priced item in a serving portion of the same size as in the reimbursable meal, regardless of whether the food or beverage item is included in the reimbursable meal served on a particular school day.

Standards:

1. The School participates in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and contracts with a third party vendor in order to provide reimbursable meals that comply with USDA “Smart Snacks” requirements as well as Sections 3313.814, 3313.816 and 3313.817 of the Ohio Revised Code.

For further information detailing the federal standards for foods sold in the School, including foods sold during fundraisers and sporting events, see the following link: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/07/29/2016-17227/national-school-lunch-program-and-school-breakfast-program-nutrition-standards-for-all-foods-sold-in>.

2. Decisions regarding the food and beverages to be sold shall be based on their potential to contribute significantly to the daily nutritional needs of children and their conformity with the state board of education’s guidelines concerning the sale of food and beverages on school premises.
3. The time of day and place for the sale of food and beverages to students shall be consistent with the nutrient intake needs and eating patterns of students and shall be designed to limit access to unhealthy food and beverages.
4. No a la carte foods or beverages may be sold on school premises except in accordance with the standards set forth herein and in Sections 3313.816 and 3313.817 of the Ohio Revised Code or regulations or guidelines adopted thereunder, or successor legislation, regulations, or guidelines.
5. Students shall not have access to vending machines in any classroom where students are provided instruction unless the classroom also is used to serve students meals. This division does not apply to vending machines that sell only milk, reimbursable meals, or food and beverage items that are part of a reimbursable meal and are available for sale as individually priced items in serving portions of the same size as in the reimbursable meal.

In developing these standards, the Board has:

1. Considered the nutritional value of each food or beverage;
2. Consulted with a licensed dietitian, a registered dietetic technician, or a certified or credentialed school nutrition specialist; and
3. Consulted the dietary guidelines for Americans jointly developed by the United States Department of Agriculture and the United States department of health and human services and incorporated those guidelines to the maximum extent possible.

The Board directs the Management Company or his/her designee to ensure that school meets the nutrition standards adopted by the Board. The Management Company or his/her designee shall prepare an annual report regarding compliance with nutrition standards prescribed under section 3313.814 of the Revised Code and make a presentation to the Board at one of its

regular meetings. The Management Company shall include it in the report to the Ohio Department of Education prescribed in section 3301.68 of the Revised Code. Copies will be made available to the public upon request.