CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: STUDENT WELLNESS

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1. Purpose

Clairton City School District recognizes that student wellness and proper nutrition are related to students' physical well-being, growth, development, and readiness to learn. The Board is committed to providing a school environment that promotes student wellness, proper nutrition, nutrition education, and regular physical activity as part of the total learning experience. In a healthy school environment, students will learn about and participate in positive dietary and lifestyle practices that can improve student achievement.

2. Authority P.L. 108-265 Sec. 204 To ensure the health and well-being of all students, the Board establishes that the district shall provide to students:

- 1. A comprehensive nutrition program consistent with federal and state requirements.
- 2. Access at reasonable cost to foods and beverages that meet established nutritional guidelines.
- 3. Physical education courses and opportunities for developmentally appropriate physical activity during the school day.
- 4. Curriculum and programs for grades K-12 that are designed to educate students about proper nutrition and lifelong physical activity, in accordance with State Board of Education curriculum regulations and academic standards.

3. Delegation of Responsibility Pol. 808 The Superintendent or his/her designee shall be responsible to monitor district schools, programs, and curriculum to ensure compliance with this policy, related policies and established guidelines or administrative regulations.

Each building principal or designee shall report to the Superintendent or designee regarding compliance in his/her school.

Staff members responsible for programs related to student wellness shall report to the Superintendent or designee regarding the status of such programs.

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The Superintendent or designee shall annually report to the Board on the district's compliance with law and policies related to student wellness. The report may include:

- 1. Evaluation of food services program.
- 2. Review of all foods and beverages sold in schools for compliance with established nutrition guidelines.
- 3. Listing of activities and programs conducted to promote nutrition and physical activity.
- 4. Recommendations for policy and/or program revisions.
- 5. Suggestions for improvement in specific areas.
- 6. Feedback received from district staff, students, parents/guardians, community members and Wellness Committee.

P.L. 108-265 Sec. 204 An assurance that district guidelines for reimbursable meals are not less restrictive than regulations and guidelines issued for schools in accordance with federal law shall be provided annually by the Food Service Director.

4. Guidelines

Wellness Committee

The Board shall appoint a Wellness Committee comprised of at least one (1) of each of the following: School Board member, district administrator, district food service representative, student, parent/guardian, member of the public, a teacher, and the school nurse.

The Wellness Committee shall serve as an advisory committee regarding student health issues and shall be responsible for developing a Student Wellness Policy that complies with law to recommend to the Board for adoption.

The Wellness Committee may examine related research and laws, assess student needs and the current school environment, review existing Board policies and administrative regulations, and raise awareness about student health issues. The Wellness Committee may make policy recommendations to the Board related to other health issues necessary to promote student wellness.

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Nutrition Education

The goal of nutrition education is to teach, encourage and support healthy eating by students. Promoting student health and nutrition enhances readiness for learning and increases student achievement.

Physical Activity

District schools shall strive to provide opportunities for developmentally appropriate physical activity during the school day for all students.

Physical Education

Quality physical education instruction that promotes lifelong physical activity and provides instruction in the skills and knowledge necessary for lifelong participation shall be provided.

Other School Based Activities

District schools shall provide adequate space and a clean and safe meal environment as defined by the district for eating and serving school meals.

Nutrition Guidelines

All foods available in district schools during the school day shall be offered to students with consideration for promoting student health and reducing childhood obesity.

Foods provided through the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs shall comply with federal nutrition standards under the School Meals Initiative.

Competitive foods are defined as foods offered at school other than through the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs and include a la carte foods, snacks and beverages; vending food, snacks and beverages; school store food, snacks and beverages; fundraisers; classroom parties; holiday celebrations; and food from home.

All competitive foods available to students in district schools shall comply with the established nutrition guidelines, as listed in the administrative regulations.

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Safe Routes To School The district shall cooperate with local municipalities, public safety agency, police departments, and community organizations to develop and maintain safe routes to school.
References: Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004 – P.L. 108-265 Sec. 204