

910 FOOD FROM HOME

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to clarify food products prepared from home as they relate to consumption within the school buildings.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The Dover-Eyota school district shall consider legal and health-related factors when permitting food prepared in homes to be served to anyone within district properties. The following factors apply to the contents of this policy:

A. The school lunch program and concessions is required to hold a valid Minnesota Department of Health Food & Beverage license for operation, and is required to purchase all food and beverage items from an approved vendor.

B. The potential exists for home-prepared foods to contain food-borne bacteria that can be transmitted within the school setting.

C. Foods purchased from a vendor for serving or sale do not constitute an element of liability for the school district.

III. GUIDELINES FOR FOODS PREPARED AT HOME AND SERVED WITHIN DISTRICT PROPERTIES

A. The phrase "foods prepared at home" includes any food item prepared in any location other than the district Food and Nutrition facilities, and by anyone other than an approved professional vendor or a certified member of the district Food and Nutrition staff.

B. No foods prepared at home shall be allowed to be served during regular school hours.

C. No foods prepared at home shall be allowed to be offered for sale at any time for any event.

D. No foods prepared at home and served outside of school hours shall be allowed to be served in the designated kitchen facilities or designated concession stands of the school district.

E. Permission for serving foods prepared at home shall be secured in advance from the appropriate school facility office

IV. DISSEMINATION OF POLICY

This policy shall be available on the school district web site and will be given to individuals and groups when their facility use request is approved.