

Canteen Policy

Purpose

The canteen can play a significant part in school life by reinforcing what students learn in the classroom about food, nutrition and health. It can contribute directly in the development of good health in students by providing appetising, nutritious food for lunches and snacks. The canteen is a sub- committee of the School Council.

Canteen Organisation

- Canteen is leased for a period of two years, with the option for extension of tenure / or re tenure offered.
- A contract has been drawn up between the licensees and the School Council.
- The School Council under direction from the Canteen Sub-Committee, will negotiate a mutually agreeable range of goods sold.

Operations

1. The canteen operates a daily service with window sales and lunch orders five days a week.
2. Orders with the room number should be written clearly on a bag, before school. It's the child's responsibility to put in the order appropriately.
3. Every child needs to have a lunch. Emergency Lunches consisting of peanut butter or vegemite sandwiches only will be provided (adjustments can be made to suit dietary needs). Notification will be sent home for costs involved. Consistent abuse of this privilege will be brought to the attention of the Student Welfare Committee.
4. Late orders will be filled to the best of the Licensees ability.

Aims

1. To provide nutritious food and refreshments for both students and staff.
2. To offer a choice of food that provide the basis of a healthy diet.
3. Both teaching and canteen staff will work together to develop healthy eating habits amongst the students.
4. To offer menus in which the five food groups are represented.

Objectives

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Nutritional Objectives

1. To implement the Nutrition Guidelines for School Canteens and School Councils, published by the D.E.E.T.
2. Where possible, to apply and reinforce the classroom programs relating to food, nutrition and health.
3. To promote the immediate and long term health of all students by promoting healthy eating habits.
4. To promote the Canteen as part of a healthy lifestyle.
5. To encourage students to take responsibility for their own nutrition.
6. To provide a variety of foods with good nutritional balance, taking account of the food customs of the students.
7. To provide foods from the five basic groups, namely:
 - (i) the bread / cereal group
 - (ii) the fruit and vegetable groups
 - (iii) the meat and meat substitute group (includes meat, fish, eggs, poultry, peas, beans, peanut butter)

- (iv) milk and milk products group (includes cheese and yoghurt)
 - (v) butter and table margarine group.
8. To develop an appreciation of the social, ethnic and cultural aspects of diet.
 9. A limit of fifty cents will be set on the amount of money spent on lollies.

Evaluation

- The Canteen Sub-Committee will meet regularly and report back to School Council.

Endorsed by School Council 20th May 2002
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