

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – FOOD RESTRICTIONS**

References: *Education Code* sections 49430, 49431, 49431.7; *California Code of Regulations* sections 15575, 15577, 15578; *Code of Federal Regulations* sections 210.11, 220.12

An **elementary school** contains no grade higher than grade 6.

**Effective** from midnight to one-half hour after school.

**Applies to ALL** foods sold to students by any entity.

**Sold** means the exchange of food for money, coupons, vouchers, or order forms, when **any part** of the exchange occurs on a school campus.

**Compliant foods:**

1. MUST meet the following:
  - a. ≤ 35% calories from fat (except nuts, nut butters, seeds, reduced-fat cheese, dried fruit+nut/seed combo with no added fat/sugar, fruit, non-fried veggies), **and**
  - b. < 10% calories from saturated fat (except reduced-fat cheese, dried fruit+nut/seed combo with no added fat/sugar), **and**
  - c. ≤ 35% sugar by weight (except fruit\*, non-fried veggies, dried fruit+nut/seed combo with no added fat/sugar), **and**
  - d. < 0.5 grams trans fat per serving (no exceptions), **and**
  - e. ≤ 200 milligrams sodium (no exceptions), **and**
  - f. ≤ 175 calories per item/container (no exceptions)

**AND**

2. MUST meet **ONE** of the following:
  - a. Fruit
  - b. Non-fried vegetable
  - c. Dairy food
  - d. Nuts, Seeds, Legumes, Eggs, Cheese (allowable protein foods)
  - e. Whole grain item\*\*

If exempt food(s) combine with nonexempt food(s) or added fat/sugar they must meet ALL nutrient standards above.

\* Dried blueberries cranberries, cherries, tropical fruit, chopped dates or figs that contain added sugar are exempt from fat and sugar standards. Canned fruit in 100% juice only.

\*\* A whole grain item contains:

- a. The statement “Diets rich in whole grain foods... and low in total fat... may help reduce the risk of heart disease...,” **or**
- b. A whole grain as the first ingredient, **or**
- c. A combination of whole grain ingredients comprising at least 51% of the total grain weight (manufacturer must verify), **or**
- d. At least 51% whole grain by weight.

**Non-compliant foods may be sold from one-half hour after school through midnight.**

**CHECK YOUR DISTRICT’S WELLNESS POLICY FOR STRICTER RULES.**

**Groups or individuals selling foods/beverages to students must keep their own records as proof of compliance.**

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – BEVERAGE RESTRICTIONS**

References: *Education Code* Section 49431.5, *California Code of Regulations* Section 15576, *Code of Federal Regulations* sections 210.10, 210.11, 220.8, 220.12

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**Applies to ALL** beverages sold to students by any entity.

**Sold** means the exchange of beverages for money, coupons, vouchers, or order forms, when **any part** of the exchange occurs on a school campus.

**A compliant beverage must be marketed or labeled as a fruit and/or vegetable juice, milk, non-dairy milk, or water AND meet all criteria under that specific category.**

**Compliant beverages:**

1. Fruit or Vegetable juice:
  - a. ≥ 50% juice **and**
  - b. No added sweeteners
  - c. ≤ 8 fl. oz. serving size
2. Milk:
  - a. Cow’s or goat’s milk, **and**
  - b. 1% (unflavored), nonfat (flavored, unflavored), **and**
  - c. Contains Vitamins A & D, **and**
  - d. ≥ 25% of the calcium Daily Value per 8 fl. oz., **and**
  - e. ≤ 28 grams of total sugar per 8 fl. oz.
  - f. ≤ 8 fl. oz. serving size
3. Non-dairy milk:
  - a. Nutritionally equivalent to milk (see 7 CFR 210.10(d)(3), 220.8(i)(3)), must contain per 8 fl. oz.:
    - ≥ 276 mg calcium
    - ≥ 8 g protein
    - ≥ 500 IU Vit A
    - ≥ 100 IU Vit D
    - ≥ 24 mg magnesium
    - ≥ 222 mg phosphorus
    - ≥ 349 mg potassium
    - ≥ 0.44 mg riboflavin
    - ≥ 1.1 mcg Vit B12, **and**
  - b. ≤ 28 grams of total sugar per 8 fl. oz., **and**
  - c. ≤ 5 grams fat per 8 fl. oz.
  - d. ≤ 8 fl. oz. serving size
4. Water:
  - a. No added sweeteners
  - b. No serving size

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**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Reference: *California Code of Regulations* Section 15500

**Effective** from midnight to one-half hour after school.

**Applies** to food and beverage sales by student organizations.

Student organization sales must meet **all** of the following:

1. Only **one food or beverage item** per sale.
2. The food or beverage item must be **pre-approved** by the **governing board** of the school district.
3. The sale must occur **after the lunch period** has ended.
4. The food or beverage item **cannot be prepared on campus.**
5. Each school is allowed **four sales** per year.
6. The food or beverage item cannot be the same item **sold in the food service program** at that school during the same school day.

**MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL – FOOD RESTRICTIONS**

References: *Education Code* sections 49430, 49431.2, 49431.7, *California Code of Regulations* sections 15575, 15577, 15578, *Code of Federal Regulations* sections 210.11, 220.12

A **middle/junior high** contains grades 7 or 8, 7 to 9, 7 to 10.

A **high school** contains any of grades 10 to 12.

**Effective** from midnight to one-half hour after school.

**Applies** to **ALL** foods sold to students by any entity.

**Sold** means the exchange of food for money, coupons, vouchers, or order forms, when **any part** of the exchange occurs on a school campus.

**Compliant foods:**

1. **“Snack”** food items must be:
  - a. ≤ 35% calories from fat (except nuts, nut butters, seeds, reduced-fat cheese, dried fruit+nut/seed combo), **and**
  - b. < 10% calories from saturated fat (except reduced-fat cheese, dried fruit+nut/seed combo), **and**
  - c. ≤ 35% sugar by weight (except fruit\*, non-fried veggies, dried fruit+nut/seed combo), **and**
  - d. < 0.5 grams trans fat per serving (no exceptions), **and**
  - e. ≤ 200 milligrams sodium (no exceptions), **and**
  - f. ≤ 200 calories per item/container (no exceptions)

**AND must meet one of the following**

  - g. Be a fruit, vegetable, dairy, protein, or whole grain item\*\* (or have one of these as the first ingredient), **or**
  - h. Be a combination food containing at least ¼ cup fruit or vegetable.
2. **“Entrée”** food items must be:
  - a. Meat/meat alternate and whole grain rich food; **or**
  - b. Meat/meat alternate and fruit or non-fried vegetable; **or**
  - c. Meat/meat alternate alone (cannot be yogurt, cheese, nuts, seeds, or meat snacks = these are considered a “snack”),

**AND**

An individual entrée sold by District/School Food Service the day of or the day after it appears on the reimbursable meal program menu must be:

- a. ≤ 400 calories, **and**
- b. ≤ 4 grams of fat per 100 calories
- c. < 0.5 grams trans fat per serving

An entrée sold by Food Service if not on the menu the day of or day after or any other entity (PTA, student organization, etc.) must be:

- a. ≤ 35% calories from fat, **and**
- b. < 10% calories from saturated fat, **and**
- c. ≤ 35% sugar by weight, **and**
- d. < 0.5 grams trans fat per serving, **and**
- e. ≤ 480 milligrams sodium, **and**
- f. ≤ 350 calories

**AND must meet one of the following**

- g. A fruit, vegetable, dairy, protein, or whole grain item (or have one of these as the first ingredient), **or**
- h. Be a combination food containing at least ¼ cup fruit or vegetable

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\*\* A whole grain item contains:

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- b. A whole grain as the first ingredient, or
- c. A combination of whole grain ingredients comprising at least 51% of the total grain weight (manufacturer must verify), or
- d. At least 51% whole grain by weight.

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**MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL – BEVERAGE RESTRICTIONS**

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**A compliant beverage must be marketed or labeled as a fruit and/or vegetable juice, milk, non-dairy milk, water, or electrolyte replacement beverage/sports drink AND meet all criteria under that specific category.**

**Compliant beverages:**

1. Fruit or Vegetable juice:
  - a. ≥ 50% juice **and**
  - b. No added sweeteners
  - c. ≤ 12 fl. oz. serving size
2. Milk:
  - a. Cow’s or goat’s milk, **and**
  - b. 1% (unflavored), nonfat (flavored, unflavored), **and**
  - c. Contains Vitamins A & D, **and**
  - d. ≥ 25% of the calcium Daily Value per 8 fl. oz., **and**
  - e. ≤ 28 grams of total sugar per 8 fl. oz.
  - f. ≤ 12 fl. oz. serving size
3. Non-dairy milk:
  - a. Nutritionally equivalent to milk (see 7 CFR 210.10(d)(3), 220.8(i)(3)), **and**
  - b. ≤ 28 grams of total sugar per 8 fl. oz., **and**
  - c. ≤ 5 grams fat per 8 fl. oz.
  - d. ≤ 12 fl. oz. serving size
4. Water:
  - a. No added sweeteners
  - b. No serving size limit
5. No-calorie Electrolyte Replacement Beverages (**NOT ALLOWED IN MIDDLE SCHOOLS**)
  - a. Water as first ingredient
  - b. ≤ 16.8 grams added sweetener/8 fl. oz.
  - c. ≤ 5 calories/8 fl. oz. (or ≤ 10 cal/20 fl. oz.)
  - d. 10-150 mg sodium/8 fl. oz.
  - e. 10-90 mg potassium/8 fl. oz.
  - f. No added caffeine
  - g. ≤ 20 fl. oz. serving size
6. Low-calorie Electrolyte Replacement Beverages (**NOT ALLOWED IN MIDDLE SCHOOLS**)
  - a. Water as first ingredient
  - b. ≤ 16.8 grams added sweetener/8 fl. oz.
  - c. ≤ 40 calories/8 fl. oz.
  - d. 10-150 mg sodium/8 fl. oz.
  - e. 10-90 mg potassium/8 fl. oz.
  - f. No added caffeine
  - g. ≤ 12 fl. oz. serving size

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**MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOLS – STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Reference: *California Code of Regulations* Section 15501

**Effective** from midnight to one-half hour after school.

**Applies** ONLY to food and beverage sales by student organizations.

1. Up to **three categories** of foods or beverages *may* be sold each day (e.g., chips, sandwiches, juices, etc.).
2. Food or beverage item(s) must be **pre-approved** by governing board of school district.
3. Only **one student organization** is allowed to sell each day.
4. Food(s) or beverage(s) **cannot** be **prepared on the campus**.
5. The food or beverage categories sold **cannot** be the same as the categories **sold in the food service program** at that school during the same school day.
6. In addition to one student organization sale each day, any and **all student organizations** may sell on the **same four designated days** per year. School administration may set these dates.