

GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

7190–WELLNESS POLICY

The Grand Island Public Schools acknowledges that student and staff wellness play a critical role in the academic environment. As recommended by the Alliance for a Healthier Generation Framework (August 2011), Grand Island Public Schools will provide a healthy learning environment by supporting district policy with healthy school meals, healthy competitive foods and beverages, health education, employee wellness, physical education, and student wellness.

The Grand Island Public Schools will provide a comprehensive learning environment to develop and practice lifelong wellness behaviors, with the objective of promoting student and staff health and reducing childhood obesity. This environment shall be aligned with federal guidelines and district policy, including The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. Guidelines shall promote active lifestyles and healthy habits to positively influence student and staff understanding, beliefs and behaviors related to health education, wellness, and physical activity.

A GIPS Wellness Committee, consisting of appropriate school and community representatives, shall review and recommend policy updates and guidelines to the Board of Education. This committee will review and report annually to the Board of Education on the implementation of wellness policy and guidelines approved by the Board of Education. Each building principal shall ensure that the provisions of the wellness policy and subsequent administrative procedures are carried out.

References: The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, Public Law 111–296, (the HHFK Act)
PL 108.265 Section 204 (Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004)
42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq. (Child Nutrition Act of 1966)
42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq. Section 305 and 361 (National School Lunch Act)
Public Law 111–296, Dec. 13, 2010, 124 Stat. 3183.
42 U.S.C. 1753(b)(3)(A).
CFR Parts 210 and 220; 77 Fed. Reg. 17 (Jan. 26, 2012).
42 U.S.C. 1779(a), emphasis added.
42 U.S.C. 1779(b).
National School Lunch Program Fact Sheet, USDA Food Nutrition Service (October 2011).
Available on the USDA website at: www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Lunch/.

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