

# Chicago Public Schools Policy Manual

**Title: OPERATION OF SNACK VENDING MACHINES**

**Section: 407.3**

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## **Policy:**

### **THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

That the Board adopt a policy on the operation of snack vending machines.

### **PURPOSE:**

This policy creates standards for the operation of snack vending machines located on Chicago Public Schools ("CPS") property, including Central Office and all other CPS offices and properties. This policy seeks to create a school environment that supports student nutrition and healthy food choices.

### **POLICY TEXT:**

Snack vending machines may be permitted to operate on CPS property for the sale of food items to students, employees and others who use the facilities subject to the requirements noted in this policy.

#### **I. Vending Machine Placement**

##### **A. Elementary or Middle Schools:**

Snack vending machines may not be placed anywhere in the school building, including the lunchroom, where they would be accessible for student use during school hours. Such machines are, however, permitted in areas restricted to students such as the teacher's lounge. If a snack machine is located in a school's common area and can not be re-located to a restricted area, the machine shall be rendered inoperable for the duration of the school day.

##### **B. High Schools:**

Snack vending machines may, at the Principal's discretion, be placed in any appropriate location within the school that is accessible for student use, except the lunchroom.

##### **C. Administrative Buildings:**

Snack vending machines may, at the Unit/Building head's discretion, be placed in any appropriate location within the building.

#### **II. Product Mix – Healthy Snack Criteria**

Snack products offered for sale must meet the following nutritional standards:

1. No more than 30% calories from fat per serving;
2. No more than 10% calories from saturated fat per serving;
3. No more than 40% sugar by weight per serving;
4. No more than 480 mg. of sodium per serving; and

5. Supply at least 5% of the daily value, per serving or per 100 calories of at least one of these eight essential nutrients: iron, calcium, protein, vitamin A, vitamin C, niacin, thiamine, or riboflavin.

Snacks with only minimal nutritional value, such as candies and chewing gums, may not be placed for sale in vending machines located on CPS property. The Bureau of Food Services and Warehousing will issue and maintain a list of snack products that meet the healthy snack criteria described in this policy. This list will be available through the CPS website by accessing Department of Operations links. Vending machines containing foods that do not meet the healthy snack criteria will not be permitted on CPS property and will be subject to removal.

The Principal or their designee will select the snack products to be offered for sale in the school's vending machines and will ensure that they meet the healthy snack criteria. The Board reserves the right to enter into a district-wide snack vending machine contract at a future date.

### **III. School Stores**

All snacks sold in school stores shall meet the healthy snack criteria.

### **IV. Compliance**

Schools and administrative units that fail to abide by this policy shall forfeit their snack sale proceeds.

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**Amends/Rescinds:**  
**Cross References:**  
**Legal References:**