PROPOSED POLICY

WELLNESS

The District shall follow nutrition guidelines that advance student health and reduce childhood obesity and shall promote the general wellness of all students through nutrition education, physical activity, and other school-based activities.

DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDELINES AND GOALS

The District shall develop nutrition guidelines and wellness goals in consultation with the local school health advisory council and with involvement from representatives of the student body, school food service, school administration, the Board, parents, and the public. [See BDF and EHAA]

NUTRITION GUIDELINES

The District shall ensure that nutrition guidelines for reimbursable school meals shall be at least as restrictive as federal regulations and guidance and that all foods available on each campus are in accordance with the Texas Public School Nutrition Policy. [See CO]

In addition to legal requirements, the District shall:

- 1. Establish guidelines for food and beverages at classroom parties or school celebrations [see CO]; and
- 2. Establish guidelines for school-sponsored fund-raising activities that involve serving or selling food.
- 3. Provide a safe, comfortable eating environment on each campus.

WELLNESS GOALS

NUTRITION EDUCATION

The District shall implement, in accordance with law, a coordinated health program with a nutrition education component [see EHAB and EHAC] and shall use health course curriculum that emphasizes the importance of proper nutrition [see EHAA].

In addition, the District establishes the following goals for nutrition education:

- 1. Students will receive nutrition education that fosters the adoption and maintenance of healthy eating behaviors.
- 2. Nutrition education will be a Districtwide priority and will be integrated into other areas of the curriculum, as appropriate.
- 3. Staff responsible for nutrition education will be adequately prepared and will participate in professional development activities to effectively deliver the program as planned.
- 4. The food service staff will coordinate the promotion of nutrition messages in the cafeteria and other appropriate settings.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

The District shall implement, in accordance with law, a coordinated health program with physical education and physical activity components and shall offer at least the required amount of physical activity for all grades [see EHAB and EHAC].

In addition, the District establishes the following goals for physical activity:

- 1. The District will provide an environment that fosters safe and enjoyable fitness opportunities for students, including those who are not participating in competitive sports.
- 2. Physical education classes will regularly emphasize moderate to vigorous activity.
- Teachers and other school staff will receive training to promote enjoyable, life-long physical activity for themselves and students.
- 4. Time allotted for physical activity will be consistent with state and local standards.
- 5. The District's policies will ensure the use of certified physical education instructors.

SCHOOL-BASED ACTIVITIES

The District establishes the following goals to create an environment conducive to healthful eating and physical activity and to express a consistent wellness message through other schoolbased activities:

- 1. Wellness for students and their families will be promoted.
- Employee wellness education and involvement will be promoted.

IMPLEMENTATION

The assistant superintendent of school business operations or designee shall oversee the implementation of this policy and shall develop administrative procedures for periodically measuring the implementation of the wellness policy.