

Water Consumption/Water Bottle Policy

The Board of Trustees recognizes the importance of water consumption and encourages increased consumption of water throughout the day. Staff members should be particularly sensitive to student needs for water during periods of hot weather. Students shall be encouraged to carry water bottles during the school day using the water bottle policy shown below. Teachers may need to call for extra water breaks too. Even during periods of moderate temperature, staff members should remind students of the value of consuming water.

In addition, water sales should be a significant option through school vending and concession services. Water should be available during mealtimes at no cost, through low-contact water sources.

Water Bottle Policy

When students bring water bottles for use during school:

1. Water bottles must be clear and have secure caps;
2. Students may not share water bottles;
3. Empty bottles should, on a regular basis, be recycled (if appropriate), discarded, or taken home for sanitized reuse;
4. Students misusing water bottles will be subject to disciplinary actions;
5. Teachers have discretion in determining classroom use;
6. Water bottles may not be used in computer labs, science labs, or the library; and
7. Water bottles may not be re-filled during classroom instruction.

Legal Reference: 7 CFR § 210.10 Meal Requirements for Lunches and Requirements for Afterschool Snacks

Policy History:

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