

FOOD AT SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENTS

The Wellness Policy, #7516, was adopted by the Board of Education on June 21, 2006. This policy is mandated by the New York State Education Department. A requirement of the policy is compliance with local codes; therefore, to comply with the Suffolk County Sanitary Code, #760-1315, the following procedures have been incorporated into the District's policy:

- All foods brought into school buildings or school functions shall be commercially prepared.
- Home prepared foods are prohibited at events sponsored by the school district, except for personal consumption.
- Lunches and snacks prepared at home for consumption by the student are permitted.
- School groups, clubs, and PTAs are encouraged to utilize alternate fundraising activities using healthy foods or non-foods whenever possible.

This policy prohibits a child from bringing in homemade cupcakes, cookies, brownies, etc. for any school function, including birthday celebrations in the classroom. If you are bringing in goodies for a birthday or other celebration, it must be store bought and in its original wrapping.