

1 **Bainville K-12 Schools**

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3 **NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS**

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5 Food Services

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7 The District supports the philosophy of the National School Lunch Program and will provide  
8 wholesome, appetizing, and nutritious meals for children in District schools. The Board may  
9 authorize a portion of federal funds received in lieu of taxes to be used to provide free meals for  
10 federally connected indigent students.

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12 Because of the potential liability of the District, the food services program will not accept  
13 donations of food without approval of the Board. Should the Board approve a food donation, the  
14 Superintendent will establish inspection and handling procedures for the food and determine that  
15 provisions of all state and local laws have been met before selling the food as part of school  
16 meals.

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18 Commodities

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20 The District will use food commodities made available under the Federal Food Commodity  
21 Program for school meals.

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23 Free and Reduced-Price Food Services

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25 The District will provide free and reduced-price meals to students, according to the terms of the  
26 National School Lunch Program and the laws, rules, and regulations of the state. The District  
27 will inform parents of the eligibility standards for free or reduced-price meals. Identity of  
28 students receiving free or reduced-price meals will be confidential, in accordance with National  
29 School Lunch Program guidelines. A parent has the right to appeal to a designated hearing  
30 official any decision with respect to his or her application for free or reduced-price food services.

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32 The Board may establish programs whereby meals may be provided in the District in accordance  
33 with National School Lunch Program guidelines.

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35 The amount charged for such meals shall be sufficient to cover all costs of the meals, including  
36 preparation labor and food, handling, utility, and equipment depreciation costs.

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38 Legal Reference:       § 20-10-204, MCA     Duties of trustees  
39                               § 20-10-205, MCA     Allocation of federal funds to school food services  
40   fund for federally connected, indigent pupils  
41                               § 20-10-207, MCA     School food services fund

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