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### **STUDENT MEAL CHARGE POLICY**

Hanover Public Schools recognizes that healthy, nutritious meals are an important component to student readiness and ability to learn. Additionally, Title 7, CFR 210.10 General Nutrition Requirements states “Schools must provide nutritious and well-balanced meals to all the children they serve”.

In accordance with this regulation, Hanover Public Schools will not deny any student access to school lunch. However, by statute, the district’s Food Service Department is a self-supporting fund that shall not carry a student’s negative balance forward at the the close of the fiscal year.

In order to ensure compliance of all who participate in the school meal program procedures for methods of meal payment, charging parameters, and debt collection methods have been incorporated into the school nutrition department policy and procedures manual.

LEGAL REFS: 7 CFR 210, Office of Management and Budget Circular A-87

M.G.L. Chapter 71: Section 72. Sales of Lunches

HHFKA, Public Law 111-296

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