

Smart Snacks in School

Nutrition Standards for All Foods Sold in School as Required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010

[Nutrition standards](#) for all foods and beverages sold to students on the school campus during the school day were established under the direction of The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA). As a result, the “Smart Snacks in School” (Smart Snacks) regulation was published in June 2013 by the Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) with the standards effective on July 1, 2014. Per Idaho policy, fundraisers held during a school day must be compliant with smart snack nutrition standards. The Smart Snacks in Schools nutrition standards are codified by 7CFR §210.11 under “Competitive food service and standards”.

Smart Snacks Standards and Smart Snack Calculator

[Idaho School Reference Guide](#) - All sales of food and beverages, both compliant and exempted, held during a school day must be compared to Smart Snack standards. **To determine if a food item meets smart snack standards use the smart snack [calculator](#).** When requesting approval for food items please present nutrition labels and a copy of the smart snack calculator result page to your building principal.

Fundraiser Approval and Tracking

Request approval and track fundraisers through [SuccessFund](#). All fundraisers, both compliant and exempted, held during a school day must be tracked. A **compliant fundraiser** is food sold during the school day that complies with the [USDA Smart Snacks nutrition standards](#). An **exempted fundraiser** is food sold during the school day that does not comply with the USDA Smart Snacks nutrition standards and has been approved by the appropriate authority. A **school day** for the purpose of the Smart Snacks in school nutrition standards, is the period from the midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the instructional day.

Non-Compliant Fundraisers

A district may have ten (10) exempted fundraisers per school year per school site. Fundraisers requiring an exemption may not be longer than four (4) consecutive days in duration. Exempt food and beverage items may not be sold in competition with school meals during meal service.

Fundraisers Outside of School Day

Foods sold as part of fundraising activities that take place outside of school are not required to comply with the nutrition standards if the foods **will not be consumed on school** property. (So, students may distribute order forms and foods not intended for consumption at school, such as frozen cookie dough, on campus.

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