

Guidelines for Food Fundraisers

Which best describes your organization?

PTA

- Fundraising opportunities are unlimited per each school year.
- All foods sold on campus must meet California Smart Snack in Schools Nutrition Guidelines.
- Useful tools to determine compliance are California Smart Snack in Schools Nutrition calculator, Getting the Facts Straight Nutrition Label Guidance, and Quick Reference Card

Student Organizations

A student organization may be permitted to sell foods and beverages on the school campus after the close of the regularly scheduled mid-day food service period if the organization meets all of the following:

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

Effective during school hours.

Applies to food and beverage sales by student organizations.

Student organization sales must meet **all** of the following:

1. Only **one food or beverage item** per sale.
2. The food or beverage item must be **pre-approved** by the **governing board** of the school district.
3. The sale must occur **after the lunch period** has ended.
4. The food or beverage item **cannot be prepared on campus**.
5. Each school is allowed **four sales** per year.
6. The food or beverage item cannot be the same item **sold in the food service program** at that school during the same school day.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL:

Effective during or after school hours.

Applies **ONLY** to food and beverage sales by student organizations.

1. Up to **three categories** of foods or beverages may be sold each day (e.g., chips, sandwiches, juices, etc.).
2. Food or beverage item(s) must be **pre-approved** by governing board of school district.
3. Only **one student organization** may be allowed to sell each day.
4. Food(s) or beverage(s) **cannot be prepared on the campus**.
5. The food or beverage categories sold **cannot be the same as the categories sold in the food service program** at that school during the same school day
6. In addition to one student organization sale each day, any and **all student organizations** may sell on the **same four designated days** per year. School administration may set these dates.

Getting the Facts Straight

Elementary Schools

Calories

Check here to be sure the calories are within the appropriate limits: ≤ 200 calories per food item.

Saturated Fat

Less than **10%** of total calories should come from saturated fat, but the label lists saturated fat in grams. A simple trick for converting grams to calories is to remember that 1 gram of fat contains 9 calories.

Grams saturated fat \times calories per gram = calories from saturated fat.

$$0.5 \times 9 = 4.5 \text{ calories}$$

But now we need to know if that is 10% or less of the total calories:

$(\text{Calories from saturated fat} \div \text{total calories}) \times 100 = \%$ calories from saturated fat.

$$(4.5/150) \times 100 = 3\% \text{ calories from saturated fat.}$$

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 1/2 cup dry (40 g)	
Servings Per container: 13	
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 150	Calories from Fat 25
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 3 g	4%
Saturated Fat 0.5 g	2%
Trans Fat 0 g	0%
Cholesterol 0 mg	0%
Sodium 0 mg	0%
Total Carbohydrate 27 g	9%
Dietary Fiber 4 g	15%
Sugars 1 g	
Protein 5 g	
Vitamin A	0%
Vitamin C	0%
Calcium	0%
Iron	10%
*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.	
	Calories: 2,000 2,500
Total Fat	Less than 65 g 80 g
Sat Fat	Less than 20 g 25 g
Cholesterol	Less than 300 mg 300 mg
Sodium	Less than 2,400 mg 2,400 mg
Total Carbohydrate	300 g 375 g
Dietary Fiber	25 g 30 g

Calories from Fat

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$$25 \div 150 = 0.17$$

To form a percent, we multiply this number by 100

$$0.17 \times 100 = 17$$

This means that 17% of the calories are from fat.

Sodium

The sodium should be ≤ 200 mg.

Sugars

Item should be no more than **35%** sugar by weight.

$(\text{Grams of sugar} \div \text{grams per serving}) \times 100 = \%$ sugar by weight.

$$(1 \div 40) \times 100 = 2.5\% \text{ sugar by weight.}$$

Trans Fat

All food items should have no more than **0.5** grams of trans fat per serving.

What about Whole Grains?

Check that meals and snacks are whole grain by scanning the ingredient list. The first item should be some type of **whole grain**, such as whole wheat flour.

Getting the Facts Straight

Middle Schools and High Schools

Calories

Check here to be sure the calories are within the appropriate limits: ≤ 350 calories if the food is meant for an **entrée**, ≤ 200 calories if it is meant for a **snack**.

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For **entrees**, the sodium should be ≤ 480 mg and for **snacks** it should be ≤ 200 mg.

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Getting the **Facts** Straight

Beverages



Flavored Water

(SECONDARY ONLY) must be:

- a. ≤ 5 calories/8 fl. oz (no calorie)
OR ≤ 40 calories/ 8 fl. oz (low calorie)
- b. No added sweetener
- c. No added caffeine
- d. ≤ 20 fl. oz serving size (no calorie)
OR ≤ 12 fl. oz serving size (low calorie)

Electrolyte Replacement Beverages

(HIGH SCHOOL ONLY) must be:

- a. ≤ 5 calories/8 fl. oz (no calorie) or
 ≤ 40 calories/8 fl. oz (low calorie)
- b. Water as first ingredient
- c. ≤ 16.8 grams added
sweetener/ 8 fl. oz
- d. 10-150 mg sodium/8 fl. oz
- e. 10-90 mg potassium/8 fl. oz
- f. No added caffeine
- g. ≤ 20 fl. oz serving size (no calorie)
OR
 ≤ 12 fl. oz serving size (low calorie)

Milk must be:

- a. Cow's milk and
- b. 1% (unflavored), nonfat (flavored, unflavored) and
- c. Contains Vitamins A & D and
- d. ≥ 25 % calcium Daily Value per
8 fl.oz and
- e. ≤ 28 grams of total sugar per 8 fl. oz
- f. ≤ 12 fl. oz serving size (SECONDARY)
 ≤ 8 fl. oz serving size (ELEMENTARY)

Fruit/Vegetable Juice must be:

- a. $\geq 50\%$ Juice and
- b. **NO** added sweeteners
- c. ≤ 12 fl. ounces
(SECONDARY)
 ≤ 8 fl. ounces

Water must be:

- a. **NO** added sweeteners
- b. No serving size limit

All beverages must be caffeine-free