

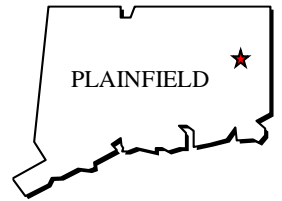


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To: Plainfield Board of Education Members

From: Ronald A. Lussier

Date: March 3, 2021

Subject: Healthy Food Certification – Option and Exemptions

Annually, the school district must decide whether or not it will implement Healthy Food Certification (HFC) ensuring that “all food items sold to students separately from reimbursable meals comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards” while school is in session. The only exemption is to after school events and sports events.

Districts that opt for HFC receive 10 cents per lunch, based on the total number of reimbursable lunches (paid, free and reduced) served in the district National School Lunch Program (NSLP) in the prior year. This program generates approximately \$20,000 - \$25,000 for the Plainfield lunch program.

The State of Connecticut is currently evaluating the reimbursement program and may discontinue providing districts with the 10-cent reimbursement.

The Business Office respectfully requests your motion and vote on the attached option and exemptions. Each item must be motioned and voted on individually. The minutes must reflect the three separate actions.