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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



TO: Sponsors of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP)

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SUBJECT: Operational Memorandum # 11-08
I. Vending Machines in the School Meal Programs
II. Public Act No. 07-252, *An Act Concerning Revisions to Statutes Relating to the Departments of Public Health and Social Services and Town Clerks*

I. Vending Machines in the School Meals Programs

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has recently issued Question and Answer Guidance clarifying the use of vending machines in the school meals programs. Enclosed is a copy of the Q & A. For more information on this subject, refer to the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) Operational Memorandum #11-07 which may be downloaded at http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/LIB/sde/pdf/DEPS/Nutrition/OPmemos/07/OM_11_07.pdf

II. Public Act No. 07-252, An Act Concerning Revisions to Statutes Relating to the Departments of Public Health and Social Services and Town Clerks

Please be advised that Section 59 c(2) of Public Act No. 07-252 requires any food service establishment to request and obtain an invoice from the farmer or person selling fresh produce and the invoice must indicate the source and date of purchase of the fresh produce at the time of the sale. Therefore, if school nutrition programs are purchasing fresh produce directly from a farmer, the farmer must provide the school nutrition programs with an invoice indicating where the produce originated and the date of purchase. The full text of this Act may be found at: <http://www.cga.ct.gov/2007/ACT/PA/2007PA-00252-R00HB-07163-PA.htm>

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