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TO: Directors, Supervisors and Contact Persons

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SUBJECT: Vending Machines in the School Meal Programs (SP 03-2007)

This memo transmits information from a recent USDA memo regarding the use of vending machines to dispense reimbursable meals in the school nutrition programs. To read the complete memo follow the link provided.

Any vending machine that provides a reimbursable school meal is subject to all program regulations and represents an extension of the school food service area. Therefore, school meal vending machines are subject to the same procedures, menu planning requirements, competitive food rules, and offer versus serve requirements that are applicable to meals offered on a service line with a cashier.

Prior to the use of vending machines to provide reimbursable meals in Virginia, the State agency must be notified. Also, any use of program funds for obtaining and maintaining vending machines to provide reimbursable meals must be in accordance with Federal and State procurement regulations.

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Governance/Policy-Memos/2007/SP\_03-2007.pdf

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the school nutrition program specialist assigned to your division or Lynne Fellin, acting director of school nutrition programs, at (804) 225-2074.

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