



Food Service Policy for Schools

The Southern Nevada Health District **will** require a food establishment permit for:

1. School cafeterias, student stores, concession stands, and other facilities on school grounds which store and/or sell TCS food. TCS (Time temperature control for safety) food is food that requires being held in a refrigerator (at or below 41°) or kept hot (equal to or greater than 135°) to control pathogen growth or toxin formation.
2. Operations on school grounds where school employees, students, or other organizations affiliated with the school, sell TCS foods on a more than occasional basis (3 days in a 90-day period.)
3. Food Establishments that are located off school grounds that sell and/or serve food on school grounds directly to students. The campus location requires a separate permit for the location where the food is prepared.

The Southern Nevada Health District **will not** require a food establishment permit for:

1. Food delivered from a permitted Retail Food Establishment that:
 - is in single-service packaging,
 - is served, sold, or discarded within four hours after the food is removed from temperature control at the permitted food establishment, and
 - the food establishment permit is available upon request.
2. Food that is prepared in home economics classrooms to provide instruction to the students on the preparation of individual meals for personal consumption.
3. Food that is provided by a permitted caterer operating within the parameters of the food regulations.
4. Produce that is grown from gardens located on school grounds if the produce harvested is sold or consumed on the school grounds. If school garden produce is sold off school grounds or used in a permitted food establishment, the school must obtain a producer certificate issued by the Nevada State Department of Agriculture.
5. Food that is sold directly by students and staff on behalf of a student organization during occasional events for educational or fundraising purposes.

Students enrolled in the school, working in a permitted food establishment on school grounds under the direct supervision of an adult **with** a valid Food Handler Safety Training Card, are not required to have a valid Food Handler Safety Training Card.

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