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| **CANTEEN POLICY** |  |

# rationale

School canteens and other school food services are important educational resources. They have an important role in the provision of food to students and the school community as well as being an integral part of the school environment.

The school canteen should reflect the educational goals of the school and support and compliment student learning. When consumed daily, the food provided through the school canteen may comprise a third of a student’s total daily intake and have a significant influence on their health and nutrition.

It is important that parents, teachers and students work together to support a whole-school

approach to building a school culture in which students actively choose nutritious foods and a healthy lifestyle.

# aims:

The ‘Healthy Canteen Kit - School Canteens and Other School Food Services Policy’ applies to food services within the school environment, for example school events such as celebrations and sports days, vending machines and foods used in curriculum activities.

Our aim is to provide a school culture of healthy eating. This can extend beyond the school environment and influence food choices within the family and community and enhance the social and multicultural aspects of food and eating.

# guidelines:

School Council will establish a Sub-Committee comprising of the following:

1. Principal Class
2. Business Manager
3. Canteen Manager
4. Parent Representative
5. School council Representative or nominee

The Canteen Sub-Committee will oversee all aspects of the Canteen. They will work with the Canteen Manager to ensure the menu is varied, caters for our cultural needs and is within the guidelines of the ‘Healthy Canteen Kit - School Canteens and Other School Food Services Policy’. This policy can be found within the ‘Healthy Eating’ link at [www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/health](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/health)

They will meet at least once a term.

Menus are to be approved by Council and cannot be changed unless approved through School Council – via the Canteen Sub-Committee.

Canteen sales will be provided at the La Trobe Campus during recess and lunch time each weekday.

REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed every three years or in response to DET policy directives.

# RATIFICATION

This policy was re-ratified by School Council on 15th February, 2018.

REFERENCES

**‘Healthy Canteen Kit - School Canteens and Other School Food Services Policy’.**

This policy can be found within the ‘Healthy Eating’ link at:

www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/health

**“Healthy Eating Advisory Service’** can offer advice via telephone 1300 225 288 or via

www.heas.health.vic.gov.au/schools

**‘National Healthy School Canteens’**

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/5FFB6A30ECEE9321CA257BF0001DAB17/$File/Canteen%20guidelines.pdf>