

BO. ALTERNATIVE FOOD SERVICE (Descriptor Code IBA)

Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value

Elementary schools will not have vending machines of any kind for student use.

At the discretion of the principal, secondary schools are permitted to operate a reasonable number of vending machines that dispense foods of minimal nutritional value, as defined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, for student use. Operation of the machines will conform to federal food service guidelines. Machines shall be located in non-food service areas where there will be no disruption in the orderly operation of the school.

All schools may install, for use of staff only, vending machines that dispense items such as food or soft drinks. Such machines will be located in staff lounge areas only. The installation and operation of those machines are subject to the approval and management of the school principal.

Vending Machines

Contracts will be awarded on based ability to satisfy criteria established by the Board or designee and on the lowest bid; however, if it appears that the cost of supplies for the machines may annually reach or exceed the bidding threshold amount as established by North Dakota law for public schools the bidding process in NDCC 15.1-09-34 will be followed. Students shall not service or collect money from the machines.