

____ Public School Resolution
On Senate Bill 771 and House Bill 1363

Whereas the rates of obesity have quadrupled among children ages 6 to 11 and tripled among children ages 12 to 19 since 1963;

Whereas only 2 percent of children eat a healthy diet that is consistent with the federal nutrition recommendations;

Whereas 3 out of 4 high school students do not eat the minimum recommended number of servings of fruits and vegetables each day;

Whereas type 2 diabetes, which is primarily due to poor diet and physical inactivity, is rising in children;

Whereas in 1996, children ages 2 to 18 years consumed an average of 118 more calories per day than children did in 1978, which could cause 12 pounds of weight gain annually;

Whereas according to the Surgeon General, the direct and indirect costs of obesity in the United States are \$117 billion per year;

Whereas the current national nutrition standards for foods sold out of vending machines, school stores and other venues outside of the school lunch program were developed in the 1970s, are out of date, and do not address key nutritional concerns such as calories, fat or salt. As a result, many unhealthy foods are sold to students in schools;

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the ____ Public School Board supports the passage of Senate Bill 771 and House Bill 1363, which call on the USDA to update its nutrition standards for food sold from vending machines, cafeteria snack lines, and other venues outside of school meals, and apply those nutrition standards to the whole campus and school day.

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