

## West Hartford Public School District

**Agenda Item:** State of Connecticut Healthy Food Certification – 2017-18

**Meeting Date:** May 16, 2017

**From:** Chip Ward, Director of Finance and Planning

**Through:** Tom Moore, Superintendent

### **Recommendation:**

That the Board of Education approves West Hartford Public Schools take action to re-certify that:

- All West Hartford Schools will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards pursuant to Section 10-215e of the Connecticut General Statutes for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
- Exemptions will be allowed for the sale of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards provided that 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend, 2) the sale is at the location of the event, and 3) the food is not sold from a vending machine or school store.

### **Background:**

West Hartford Schools have been following the state standards as of February 1, 2007. All foods sold to students meet strict guidelines for sugar content, fat content, sodium content, and portion size. The law pertains to all foods and beverages sold to students on school grounds, with exemptions allowed for after-school events upon Board approval.

Each school year the Board is required to re-certify with the State Department of Education that all food items sold to students will meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards. The State will compensate certifying districts an additional .10 cents per student meal served in the cafeterias for the school year.

Tim Prosinski and Chip Ward will be available to answer any questions.

**Agenda Item:**  
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