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FOOD SERVICES

Aspen Ridge intends to participate in the National School Breakfast and Lunch Programs. Aspen Ridge will request to contract with the Sponsoring District Food Service Department to ensure that food is available to all students on a daily basis and will participate in the Sponsoring District's Wellness Plan to develop and support student understanding of healthful choices and healthful living.

Aspen Ridge will collaborate with the Sponsoring District to ensure that all documentation is prepared and submitted according to state and federal requirements and as delineated in the annual contract between both parties. Additionally, Aspen Ridge will follow all applicable guidelines that ensure safe handling of all food products at the Charter School site. An effective food safety program will help control food safety hazards that might arise during all aspects of food service (receiving, storing, preparing, cooking, cooling, reheating, holding, assembling, packaging, transporting, and serving). Aspen Ridge will adapt its lunch procedures to meet the appropriate critical control points dependent upon the terms of the contract for its lunch service.

Aspen Ridge reserves the right to, at any time within the term of the charter, to contract with a third party company to provide food services not provided by the Sponsoring District. The budget line item for lunch costs was based on the costs of some similarly sized charter schools whose meals are provided by a vendor. Finally, Aspen Ridge will comply with all civil rights requirements in its food service program.

LEGAL REF.: C.R.S. 22-32-120

Charter Reference: Section M, Page 70 Charter Application