### How-to Find Your Local School Wellness Policy



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### What is a local wellness policy?

#### **Local Wellness Policies**

A local wellness policy is "a written document of official policies that guide a school district's efforts to establish a school environment that promotes students' health, well-being, and ability to learn by supporting healthy eating and physical activity"





### Where can I find the local wellness policy?

- Online, on the school district website, or
- By request, from the school district administrative office

## What documents are included in my district's local wellness policy?

### A school district's local wellness policy may include:



Wellness Policy



Superintendent Regulations

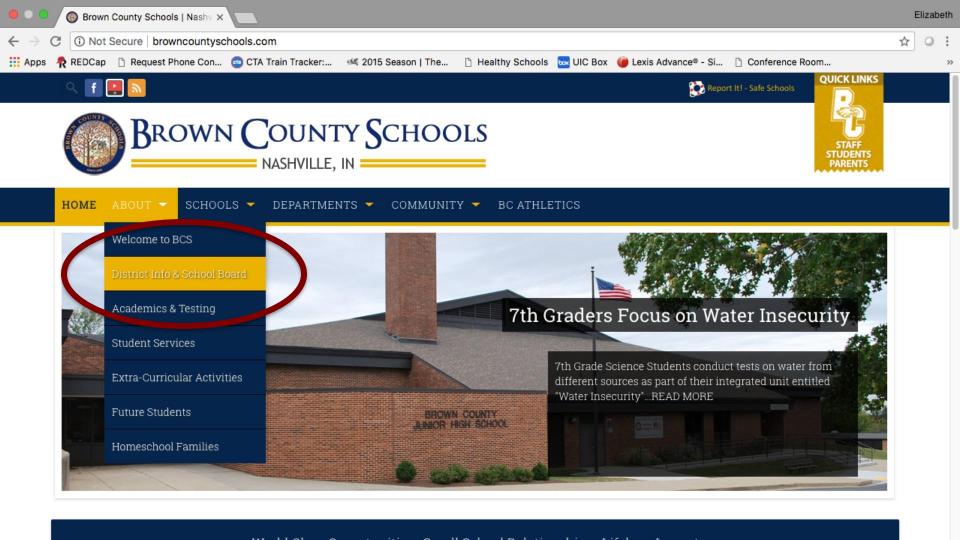


Cross-Referenced Policies

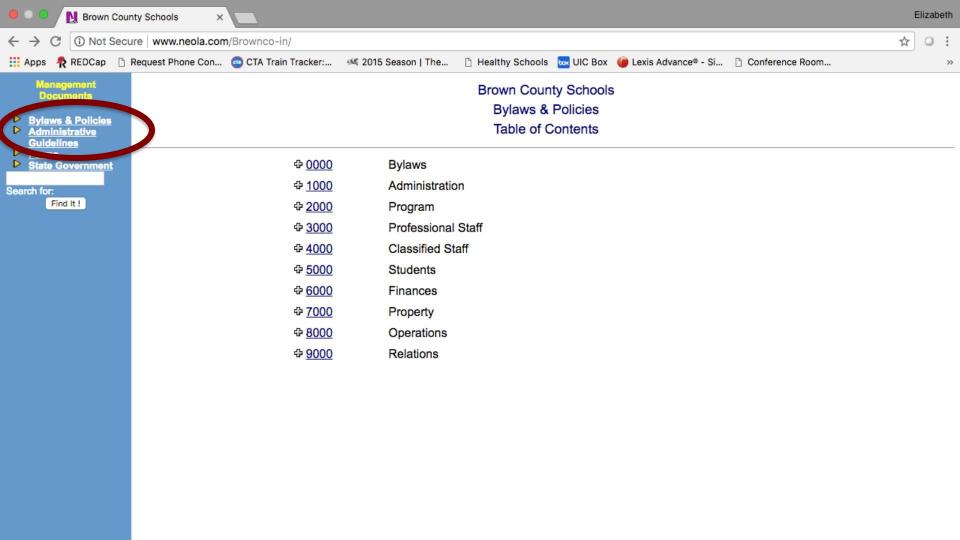
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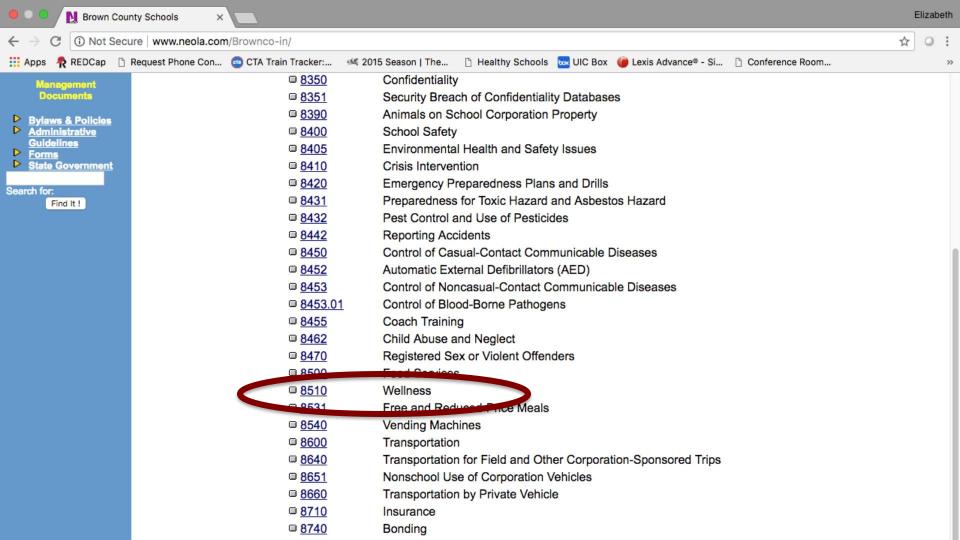
- 1. Locate the school district website
- 2. Find the school board policy page
- 3. Check for any Superintendent's regulations
- 4. Read-through the policy to identify any cross-references

# Example: Finding your school district's wellness policy on the internet





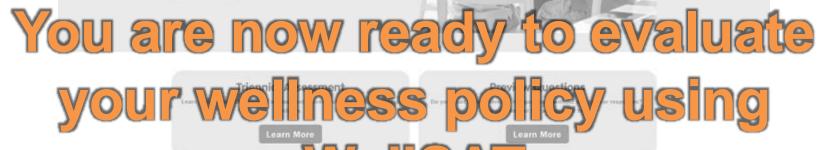




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Management Documents	systems, therefore, eliminating any stigma or identification of students eligible to receive free and/or reduced meals.		
Bylaws & Policies     Administrative     Guidelines	Furthermore, with the objectives of enhancing student health and well being, and reducing childhood obesity, the following guidelines are established:  A. In accordance with Policy 8500, entitled Food Service, the food service		
D Forms D State Government	program shall comply with Federal and State regulations pertaining to the selection, preparation, consumption, and disposal of food and beverages as well as to the fiscal management of the program.		
Search for: Find It!	B. As set forth in Policy 8531, entitled Free and Reduced Price Meals, the guidelines for reimbursable school meals are not less restrictive than the guidelines issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).		
	C. The food service program will strive to be financially self-supporting; however, if it is necessary to subsidize the operation, it will not be through the sale of foods with minimal nutritious value.		
	D. The food service program will provide all students affordable access to the varied and nutritious foods they need to be healthy and to learn well.		
	E. All foods available on campus during the school day shall comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans, including competitive foods that are available to students a la carte in the dining area, as classroom snacks, from vending machines, for classroom parties, or at holiday celebrations.		
	F. All foods available to students in the dining area during school food service hours shall comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans, including competitive foods available to student a la carte or from vending machines.		
	The Superintendent shall appoint the Corporation wellness committee that includes parents, students, representatives of the school food authority, educational staff (including physical education teachers), school health professionals, members of the public, and school administrators to oversee the development, implementation, evaluation, and periodic update, if necessary, of the wellness policy.	al	
	The Superintendent shall be an ex officio member of the committee.		

#### Welcome to the WellSAT

This Wellness School Assessment Tool (WellSAT) website is where you can score year written district welloose policy and rate your district's implementation of actions welliness practices.



The Welliness School Assessment Toul (WeltSAT) helps quantity actout welliness policies so that districts can see how they compare to best practices. It is a sulfaboration between the UCont Build Center for Food Policy and Health and the OCues Cullaboratory us School and Child Health.





