



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF

# EDUCATION

## FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM

Frozen, canned, dried, and other types of processed fruits and vegetables are not allowed

### ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES

#### Operating Cost (85 – 100 percent of total grant award)

- Fresh fruits and vegetables
  - Whole pieces – requiring preparation/ready to eat
  - Pre-packaged, ready to eat individual portions
  - Pre-cut bulk packaged
- Fresh vegetables – vegetables not normally eaten raw, can be cooked as part of a nutrition education lesson not more than once per week
- Low-fat and non-fat dips for vegetables only (No more than two tablespoons)
- Fresh herbs
- **Non-food items**
  - Paper supplies: napkins, plates/boats, soufflé cups
  - Plastic eating utensils
  - Cutting boards
  - Serving bowls and trays
  - Cleaning supplies
  - Trash Bags
- Wages/salaries and benefits for employee who do tasks of washing, chopping produce, preparing trays, distributing produce to classrooms, setting up stations, vending machines, and cleanup.

#### Administrative Costs (up to 10 percent of total grant award)

- Purchasing or leasing equipment used for FFVP, or repair of FFVP-designated equipment:
  - Refrigerators and coolers
  - Portable kiosks and food bars
  - Small and large carts
  - Food tote bags
- Wages/salaries and benefits for employees who perform administrative tasks for the FFVP (financial reports, write menus, coordinate nutrition promotion activities)

### NON-ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES

- Food items: Dried herbs, regular butter, dip for fruit, fruit leather, jellied fruit, trail mix, nuts, cottage cheese, fruit or vegetable pizza, smoothies, other non-fresh fruit, or vegetable related food (i.e., pizza dough to make fruit pizza, yogurt and granola for fruit parfaits, jarred salsa to add to avocado chunks)
- Nutrition education materials
- Promotional items (including postage)
- Marketing materials
- Travel costs (field trip transportation, mileage reimbursement for picking up produce from a local farm, etc.)
- Field trip activity costs