

5.29a Water Bottle Access Policy

Because water is a necessary nutrient to maintain and improve health, the Little Rock School District allows students and staff to carry a clear, plastic water-bottle while on campus. In an effort to limit confusion, the following rules apply to students and staff:

1. To prevent spills, the bottle must be capped with either a push-button or sid-lid or an automatic seal spout.
2. A screw on lid or push top lid is not sufficient.
3. The container must contain plain water.
4. There can be no juice, soda, addable, or energy drink.
5. The water may be consumed during class but not in close proximity of technology equipment, during science labs, or in the library.
6. Classroom rules regarding the use of the restroom will be in effect. Students and staff need to take care of restroom needs before class starts and one must be responsible for the amount of water that is taken in during classroom time.
7. Students and staff will be responsible to fill the bottle between classes. A student may not leave class to fill a bottle.
8. Water bottles are not to be played with on school grounds. This includes throwing the bottle or pouring the contents to the bottle onto a student, staff or equipment.

Any failure to follow the policy will result in at a minimum of the student losing the opportunity of having a water bottle for a set period of time and additional repercussions if needed.

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5.29b Water Bottle Filling Station

The Little Rock School District Superintendent shall not approve the plans and specifications for a new public school building contemplated by a board of education or any major building renovation, unless the plans and specifications provide for:

1. A minimum of two (2) water bottle filling stations in each school.
2. A minimum of one (1) drinking fountain or water bottle filling station on each floor and wing of each new school building.
3. A floor plan is strongly encouraged to have one (1) drinking fountain or water bottle filling station located in or near gymnasiums, cafeterias and other high traffic areas.
4. A minimum of one (1) drinking fountain or water bottle filling station for every 100 students projected to attend the school upon completion of the proposed construction.

Any water bottle filling station installed in a public school building shall:

1. Dispense filtered, cooled, clean drinking water.
2. Be regularly cleaned and maintained.

Any drinking fountain installed in a public school building shall:

1. Be equipped with a protective cowl.
2. Be equipped with a waterspout at least one (1) inch above the overflow rim of the drinking fountain.
3. Dispense filtered, cooled, clean drinking water.
4. Be regularly cleaned and maintained.

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