Guidelines for Food Related Events and Food Sales (2016-2017)

To comply with the Santa Clara County Health Department's regulations related to the preparation, handling, and distribution of food on campus, as well as to guarantee the health and safety of all campus constituencies, the following guidelines for food sales have been established for students, employees, and renters at Foothill College:

- Food items must be prepackaged. Prepackaged items are food items packaged at a licensed bakery, restaurant, or grocery store, OR
- Food items must be prepared by a licensed food service provider and a current Environmental Health Permit must be provided to the Facilities Rental Coordinator in order to receive event authorization.
- No foods or perishable beverages can be prepared or stored in a private home due to possible contamination.
- All food and perishable beverages shall be protected at all times from unnecessary handling and possible contamination (i.e. gloves must be worn by servers and items refrigerated)

Additional Points of Clarification

- Pizza can be sold by the slice if purchased from a licensed food service provider and is distributed by the slice to the public, by a certificated Food Handler, and that the pizza is protected at all times from unnecessary handling and possible contamination (i.e. gloves must be worn by servers and items refrigerated as needed). The food handler's certificate must be on file with the Facilities Rental Coordinator.
- Baked goods may be separated in single servings for sale if they are purchased from a licensed food service provider and are distributed individually to the public, by a current certificated Food Handler, provided the baked goods are protected at all times from unnecessary handling and possible contamination (i.e. gloves must be worn by servers and items refrigerated as needed).
- This food policy also applies to food in baskets assembled for fundraising unless the food items are prepackaged.
- Crock pots are not allowed.

Internal Potlucks

Potlucks are permissible for internal events ONLY and must meet the following guidelines:

- The meeting or event must be closed to the general public and open to a specifically targeted population
- There can be no charge for the event
- The event cannot be advertised to the general public