

# GUIDELINES FOR BAKE SALES AND FUNDRAISERS

## **IS A PERMIT NEEDED FOR A BAKE SALE AS A FUNDRAISER?**

No, you do not need a food service permit for occasional bake sales as fundraisers.

## **CAN THE BAKED GOODS COME FROM A HOME KITCHEN?**

Yes, a person who produces or packages a non-potentially hazardous baked good in their home for sale by a religious, charitable, or nonprofit organization for fundraising purposes is allowed.

## **WHAT TYPE OF ITEMS CAN BE SOLD?**

Baked goods, such as, but not limited to, breads, cookies, cakes, pies and pastries. Only high-acid fruit pies that use the following fruits are allowed: apple, apricot, grape, peach, plum, quince, orange, nectarine, tangerine, blackberry, raspberry, blueberry, boysenberry, cherry, cranberry, strawberry, red currants or a combination of these fruits.

## **WHAT ITEMS ARE PROHIBITED?**

Pumpkin, sweet potato, custard or cream pies and pastries, cheesecake, meringues or other potentially hazardous fillings or toppings. Desserts that require refrigeration for food safety are prohibited.

## **HOW SHOULD THE BAKED GOODS BE DISPLAYED?**

Individually pre-wrap them (plastic wrap, plastic bags, and plastic carry-out containers). Don't have open foods on the tables; everything must be packaged.

## **DO THE ITEMS NEED TO BE LABELED, AND IF SO WHAT SHOULD BE ON THE LABELS?**

It is recommended to label the items. The labels should include the common name of the food product and list any allergen ingredients. Major allergens in baked goods include peanuts (peanut butter), eggs, wheat, soybeans, milk and milk products (e.g. butter, buttermilk) and tree nuts (e.g. almonds, pecans, walnuts and cashews).

Should the source of a particular item need to be identified, the event organizer should retain a list of bakers' contact information, baked good names and ingredients.

## **ARE THERE ANY OTHER DO'S AND DON'TS?**

Mostly use common sense – no eating or drinking in the area. Wash hands often and especially after using the restroom. Display foods on clean counters and keep the sale area clean. If you have any questions, please contact the Clinton County Health Department 618-594-2723.