## Appendix 3: Examples of Water Dispensers for Schools

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<th>Water Dispenser</th>
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| Portable Water Dispenser        | $                           | • Potential weight concern for staff refilling container in the sink.  
• Requires room for storage.  
• Account for expenses to provide cups.  
• Requires access to commercial dishwasher or other way to sanitize. |
| Water Dispenser                 | $                           | • Will require staff to refill container.  
• Potential storage concern.  
• Need committed nutrition services staff.  
• Account for expenses to provide cups. |
| Water Cooler                    | $/month                     | • Monthly fee for leasing machine.  
• Option for filtered water, which may alleviate students’ perceptions about public water sources.  
• Station needs to be placed near existing water source and electric outlet for cold water.  
• May need to disable the hot water spout.  
• Easy to install.  
• Account for expenses to provide cups. |
| Bottle Filler                   | $$$$                        | • Station needs to be placed near existing water source.  
• Filtered water.  
• Ideal for school cafeterias that are undergoing construction because it will make installation easier and be cost effective.  
• Sleek-looking and may alleviate students’ perception that public water sources are unsafe.  
• Some models display how many bottles are saved from waste.  
• Account for expenses to provide cups if students do not have refillable water bottles. |
| Water Fountain with Bottle Filler| $$$-$$$$$                   | • Must be placed near existing water source.  
• Filtered water.  
• Ideal for school cafeterias undergoing construction because it will make installation easier.  
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<sup>a</sup>Price Key (per unit): $ = $1–$99; $$ = $100–$499; $$$ = $500–$999; $$$$ = $1,000–$5,000.

Source: Adapted with permission from [http://waterinschools.org/pdfs/CFPA_WaterDispenserOptions.pdf](http://waterinschools.org/pdfs/CFPA_WaterDispenserOptions.pdf).