

Food and Nutrition Services Department Update

To: Mr. Watts, Superintendent Ms. Ramona Malone, Board Chair Members of the Board

Date: July 25th, 2023

Summer Meal Program Participation

<u>School</u>	Breakfasts	Lunches
NHS	175	544
NIS	761	1024
NPS	1274	1284
Southgate	567	583

School Nutrition Association Annual National Conference

An excess balance and reduction plan requested by KDE, allowed eleven staff to attend the conference in Denver, Colorado. The experience offered an opportunity for them to interact with peers regarding common challenges, as well as solutions that can be easily implemented into their programs. After four days of education sessions, culinary demonstrations, over 500 exhibit booths, networking activities, and a dance party closing event, staff left feeling inspired and excited to serve students with a new passion.

Favorite Education Sessions:

- Diversified Menus- expands nutrients offered and exposes students to different flavors
- Scratch Cooking Solutions- optimizing space and labor through teamwork
- On Trend Recipes and Concepts- compliant global recipes to increase participation
- Modifying Meals-planning, preparing, and communicating allergy friendly meals
- Efficient Kitchens- proper processes of equipment to gain time and improve food quality
- Food Waste- incorporating leftovers or extra inventory into recipes

Adult Meal Pricing

To ensure that federal child nutrition funds do not subsidize adult meals, participants of the National School Lunch Program must price adult meals in accordance with FNS 782-5 Revision 1. The charge for an adult meal should be at least the amount of reimbursement received plus the per meal value of donated foods. School districts are notified annually by KDE of new rates and the formulas below:

(Reimbursement Rate + Severe Need + Value of Donated Foods)

Breakfast	2.28 + .45 + .30 = 3.03	Suggested Adult Meal Price	\$3.05
Lunch	4.25 + .10 + .30 = 4.65	Suggested Adult Meal Price	\$4.65

Respectfully Submitted,

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