Welcome To the 2023-2024 School Year

Food & Nutrition Services Department

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Greetings Parents/ Guardians:

On behalf of the entire Saint Louis Public Schools (SLPS) Food and Nutrition Services Department, please allow me to officially welcome you and your student(s) to the 2023-2024 school year.

Saint Louis Public Schools (SLPS) would like to introduce Southwest Foodservice Excellence (SFE) as the Food Service Management Company (FSMC). Southwest Foodservice Excellence will provide management services for the school cafeterias.

Saint Louis Public Schools (SLPS) and Southwest Foodservice Excellence (SFE) believe that one of the most important ways we can support students to perform better in their classrooms is to provide them with healthy and wholesome meals during the school day.

**Community Eligibility Provision Program:**

Saint Louis Public Schools operates the Community Eligibility Provision Program, which allows all SLPS school students to eat a free breakfast, lunch, supper, and a snack.

**The SLPS Food and Nutrition Services Department administers the following Federal Child Nutrition Programs sponsored by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), and Missouri of Department and Health and Senior Services**

* School Breakfast Program (SBP)
* National School Lunch Program (NSLP)
* Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)
* Afterschool Snack Program (ASP)
* Smart Snacks /Fundraisers
* The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
* Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

 **School Breakfast Program:**

* Breakfast is free of charge for all students. **Adult Pay Meals:** **$2.67.**
* Meals are served before the start of school in the classrooms(pk-k) and cafeterias.
* Choice of daily hot entrée item or cereal, fruit or 100% juice, 1% low-fat milk or nonfat milk.
* **Any additional milk may be purchased: white- $.60 chocolate: -$.65.**
* Menus are located on the Saint Louis Public Schools website ([www.slps.org/menus](http://www.slps.org/menus)).

**National School Lunch Program:**

***Elementary Schools*:**

* Lunch is free of charge for all students.  **Adult Pay Meals**: **$4.86.**
* Lunch includes a choice of healthy hot entrees, whole grain items, fruit, vegetables, vegetarian

meal options, and 1% low-fat milk or nonfat chocolate milk.

* Meals are served in the classrooms(pk-k) and cafeterias.
* **Any additional milk may be purchased: white- $.60 chocolate- $.65.**
* Menus are located on the Saint Louis Public Schools website ([www.slps.org/menus](http://www.slps.org/menus)).
* Each student will press enter on Point of Sales (POS) keypad when receiving breakfast and lunch.

***Middle and High Schools:***

* Lunch is free of charge for all students. **Adult Pay Meals:** **$4.86.**
* Lunch includes a choice of healthy hot entrees, whole grain items, fruit, vegetables, vegetarian meal options, and 1% low-fat milk or nonfat chocolate milk.
* **Any additional milk may be purchased: white- $.60 chocolate- $.65.**
* Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Bar for healthy eating options.
* Menus are located on the Saint Louis Public Schools website ([www.slps.org/menus](http://www.slps.org/menus)).
* Each student will use a Point of Sales (POS) keypad to enter their Personal Identification Number (PIN) when receiving breakfast and lunch. The PIN will remain the same each year.

**The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP): Afterschool Supper Program**

* After School Program sponsored by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services.
* Students are provided a nutritious supper and snack.
* Schools that provide an afterschool program that includes educational, enrichment, and athletics programs are eligible to participate.
* Schools can receive cold or hot food meals.

**Additional Nutrition Information:**

• Visit the SLPS webpage: [www.slps.org](http://www.slps.org).

* To review the overview of the Food and Nutrition Services Department, go to: [www.slps.org](http://www.slps.org), click on **Parent & Student Tab,** thengo to **Overview.**
* To review the **Meal Policy and Menus and Welcome Letter for Parents** in other languages**, go to** [www.slps.org](http://www.slps.org), click on **Parent & Student Tab,** thengo to **Meal Policy and Menus.**
* To review the Health and Wellness Policy, or to view the Policy in other languages, go to: [www.slps.org](http://www.slps.org), click on **Parent & Student Tab,** thengo to **Health and Wellness.**
* To review the **information about Personal Identification Numbers (PINs), go to** [www.slps.org](http://www.slps.org), click on **Parent & Student Tab,** thengo to **Meal Policy and Menus**.

Please contact the Food & Nutrition Services Department at (314) 345-4519 or (314) 345-2308 if you have any questions. Again, I would like to thank you for your help and support this year.

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**Request for Information**

**(Complete one form per family)**

Please answer the question below by checking the appropriate box. The following information is a request adopted by the General Assembly in 2010 requiring school districts to determine whether or not all children in a family have health insurance.

Does each child in your family have healthcare insurance?

YES

NO

**MO HealthNet (Medicaid) is considered healthcare insurance**.

If NO is checked the school district will provide the Does Your Child Need Healthcare Coverage form for the family.

Completion of this form is not a condition of determining meal eligibility. The Free and Reduced Price Meals Family Application will be reviewed regardless of your response to this Request for Information.

Return this completed form to your school/school district.

Printed name of parent/guardian:

Mailing Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

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