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Control What's Hot in the Lunchroom

Welcome to St. Joseph's Catholic School and "What's hot In The Lunchroom" newsletter.

Welcome back to another wonderful school year in the cafeteria. The idea of the news letter is to keep you informed of what is going on in the lunchroom. We believe that what your children are eating is important nutritional information and you should be kept informed.

The Lunchroom is run by the Kitchen Manager, Karen Page. The lunchroom is dependent on our parent volunteers who work very hard serving the children in the lunchroom every day. If you are interested in volunteering twice a month or anytime your schedule is open to help, please contact the Kitchen Manager, Karen Page email pagek@stjoes.com or call 208-949-0393. A tremendous amount of thanks goes to the parent volunteers for taking the time out of their busy schedules to help serve in the cafeteria all year. In order to volunteer you must have the SEW face to face training and completed the background check.

Please see the following for lunch prices for a student's school lunch and Breakfast:

- Hot lunch, Includes milk \$4.25 Kindergarten Fifth grade
- Hot Lunch, Includes milk \$4.75 Middle School Only
- Grab n Go, includes milk \$4.25 Applies to all grades
- Breakfast Is depending on A la Carte prices. Please see A la Carte price list
- Ice cream on Friday only \$1.75 Al a Carte
- Milk daily .75¢ al a carte
- Adult Lunch is \$5.50

How do I pay for my child's lunch and breakfast?

The Lunch Program operates through FACTS. You are already set up with your students account through FACTS and you will make all lunch account payments online. We no longer accept cash or checks for meal payment at the school office. You can keep track of your student's lunch account and automatic notifications through FACTS. All questions regarding the lunch accounts should be directed to Julie Perkins in the Business Office. All questions regarding the lunch program should be directed to the Kitchen Manager Karen Page, email pagek@msn.com.

Where do I go to find out what is on the monthly lunch menu and What is happening in the Lunch room newsletters?

You can find all information for our lunch program through the school website to find our newsletters and lunch calendars. Also, the front office will have hard copies of our lunch calendar printed out available for you as well. See our Website at st.joes.com

How can I sign my student up for a Grab n Go or hot lunch?

Grab n Go's must be ordered online, you will find the link on the stjoes.com website. The sign-up form it is very important to make sure you have signed up your student for lunch accurately and timely. My advice to all parents is to sign up on the weekends for the entire week. You do not have to wait the day before to sign up. You need to have your student signed up the day before to receive a Grab n Go lunch. Please plan a head. I will change the lunch menu ever Friday after pizza is served reflecting the next weeks sandwich choices.

Please make sure you fill out the form correctly and entirely. Watch your lunch dates. Student's full name, Home room teacher, and Sandwich type are very critical when pulling the lunch orders for the day.

Hot lunch sign ups, the teacher will sign up the students first thing in the morning for Hot Lunch only.

Does St. Joseph's serve breakfast?

Breakfast is served daily from 7:30 am to 8:00 am. If your child would like breakfast before school please have then ask an aid on duty to open the cafeteria door. Extended breakfast times for grades 2^{nd} – middle school is 9:44 am to 10:55 am during the morning recess hours. St. Joseph has a nutritious breakfast program. The children have many varieties to choose from. All breakfast choices are based on A la carte prices.

Can my child bring his/her own lunch or snack?

Children may choose to bring a lunch and snack. It is recommended that ice packs be used to keep the lunch cool. Please send nutritionally balanced lunches to school. There are no microwaves in the cafeteria to heat up food from home.

May I come to school to eat lunch with my child?

Parents are always welcome at St Joseph's school cafeteria. Simply notify Ms. Page the day prior to coming to have lunch. Please check in at the office and get a sticker before coming down to the cafeteria. We invite parents to have lunch in the cafeteria if your student is in the kindergarten through the Fifth grade only. We will invite you to sit with

your student in the open eighth grade seating area. We do not have room for parents to sit at the assigned class tables. Lunch cost \$5.50 for an adult or you may bring your own lunch.

When is lunch served?

The St. Joseph's lunch schedule is as follows:

Kindergarten and 1st

<u>11:15 – 11:35</u>

2nd^t and 3rd

11:40-12:00

4th, and 5th

12:05-12:25

Middle school lunch times are 12:40-1:00 however, the cafeteria is full and we do not have room for guests.

If questions contact Karen Page by email pagek@stjoes.com or you may call my cell 208-949-0393.