



Central Fulton School District

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Dear CFSD Parents and Guardians,

There is currently a National Milk Carton Shortage, both 4oz and 8oz (half-pint) cartons. Just to be clear, there is not a shortage of fluid milk, but just the cartons the milk is placed in. Evergreen Paper, who is experiencing the shortages, is one of the dairy industry's largest suppliers for milk cartons. We are being informed that normal carton inventory levels will not be able to be backfilled until the end of January 2024.

Therefore, all of cartons of milk that we will be purchasing from now until the end of January will be served in the elementary cafeteria. The MS/HS students will be offered milk through self serve beverage dispensers. This new process for distributing milk has started this week. MS/HS students will receive cups of milk with their lunch. All students will continue to receive milk with their lunches: The elementary will receive the traditional cartons of milk; and MS/HS will receive cups of milk.

PA Dept of Education has given permission, due to the emergency situation, to schools to utilize an alternate form of fluid milk or without fluid milk (ie. bottled water, juice) for the students if needed.

However, we are NOT experiencing a shortage of milk; it is just a shortage of the cartons.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at cramsey@cfsd.info or (717) 485-7000.

Sincerely,

Dr. Christina J. Ramsey
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