



Welcome back to school! The summer is quickly slipping past us and we're heading into fall. We are seeing the late summer fruits and vegetables and they are still available to enjoy but soon the fall fruits and vegetables will come into season. Your school cafeteria is preparing scratch made meals featuring many of these local fruits and vegetables. Come see what's for lunch!



**APPLY FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEAL BENEFIT ONLINE.**

You can apply for meal benefits online! The process is safe, secure, private, and available anytime, anywhere!



**ONE LUNCH APPLICATION PER HOUSEHOLD.**

Make sure you fill out a Family Lunch Application as soon as possible as it will determine your child's eligibility for free or reduced price meals. If you have any questions, please call 1-888-287-5873 or 331-7272 (Monday-Friday 7:00am to 4:00pm) or visit <http://schoolunchapp.com>  
\*If you have a new student, or sibling, starting kindergarten, you must fill out a new application even if other children already have an approved application. New students will not automatically be covered!

**Wellness Committee**



Lodi Unified is holding it's next Wellness Committee Meeting September 19th from 3:30 - 4:30 pm. It will be held at the Nutrition Services Central Kitchen at 840 South Cluff Ave., Lodi. Be part of the Wellness Committee and have an input! Check our website for more information.

**Online Lunch Payments are Available!**



We encourage all parents to PREPAY monthly for their students' lunches. You can also check the history or balance on your students cafeteria account. Please note: each transaction is charged a \$1.00 convenience fee by myschoolbucks. Visit [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com)



**Student Allergy/Medical Statement Online**

If your child has a documented medical condition or food allergy that requires modifications in his or her diet, please fill out a Medical Statement to Request Special Meals and/or Accommodations. This allows us to provide your child with meals they can safely enjoy. The form is available under the "forms" area of the Nutrition Service website. <http://foodservice.lodiUSD.net> A physician must fill out and sign the request for special meals and/or accommodations form and return to the school.

**Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)**

Fourteen qualifying schools will implement CEP beginning the first day of the 2018-19 school year. CEP is a meal provision program required by SB 138 and the Healthy Hungry-Free Kids Act that allows meals to be served at no charge to all students without having to fill out a school meal application. Parents/Guardians of students enrolled at these schools will be notified in first day packets. Please visit our website for more information!

**What's for Lunch?**

Check out our Mobile Menu App which includes daily menus, nutrient information, item description, photos, and online payment information. The App is available in the App Store, "Web Menus by School Nutrition & Fitness By ISITE Software, LLC"



**Smart Snacks, Fundraisers, and Class Celebrations**

Attention all parents participating in fundraisers! "Smart Snacks" regulations apply to ALL fundraisers in and out of school hours. Nutrition Services is partnering with all schools to ensure your school is compliant. We can also help you plan a class celebration that is fun as well as healthier. Contact us today to find out how we can help you have a successful food fundraiser or party! For more information, see our website <http://foodservice.lodiUSD.net>, or call the Nutrition Services Department at 209-331-7155.



**Attention all Aspiring Cooks!**

Interested in joining our Nutrition Services team? We're taking applications for cafeteria substitutes. Apply through Lodi Unified School District Personnel Office at 1305 E. Vine St., Lodi 95240. Applications will be accepted until all positions are filled.



**Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program**

For the 2018-19 school year, ten elementary school sites have been awarded a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Federal Grant. At FFVP schools, students receive 3-5 extra servings of fresh fruits and vegetables each week in addition to the produce served during breakfast, lunch, snack, and supper programs. The school sites awarded a FFVP grant for the 2018-19 school year are:

- Clairmont
- Needham
- Heritage
- Lawrence
- Live Oak
- Oakwood
- Parklane
- Sutherland
- Wagner Holt
- Westwood



**New Lunch Prices for the 2018-19 School Year**

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act requires the price of a school lunch to be equal to or more than the federal reimbursement rate which is adjusted for inflation every year.

Our new mandated meal prices for the 2018/19 school year are:

K - 8 Lunch	\$2.75
Middle & High School	\$3.25
Milk	\$0.50

**Breakfast is still FREE, everyday, for all students!**

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