

# Nutritional Services February Newsletter

Issue 12

## We are now offering one newsletter for the whole month!

We are finding that everyone is getting overwhelmed with emails and newsletters and it is easy to just start ignoring some of them as the winter seems to drag on. We have decided to try giving you the information for the whole month in just one newsletter.

## Presidents' Day week

We are going to have another unusual week with the Presidents' Day holiday, so we are trying something new. We have received special permission from OPI to hand out two weeks of food on the 10<sup>th</sup>! Instead of trying to move the distribution to the Monday holiday, we are going to hand out both weeks at the same time the week before the holiday. All normal locations will be open at the regular times on the 10<sup>th</sup>. This also means that we will **NOT** have a distribution during the week of the 15<sup>th</sup>. If this plan is not too overwhelming for my staff, we are going to try it again during Spring Break.

Please keep in mind that doing this means that we are preparing to hand out around 16,000 total meals in 2 hours at 8 locations at the same time. Please have patience with the staff.

## For all current menus.

<https://helenaps.sodexomyway.com/landing>

<https://www.facebook.com/helenaschoolfoodservice>

**Pre-Order the next 3 weeks of  
Distance learning Meals here.**

[DLMD Week 2/3-2/9](#)

[DLMD Week 2/10-2/23](#)

[DLMD Week 2/24-3/2](#)

**Or you can fill out the standing order if  
you would prefer to do this one time only. If  
you have already filled out a standing  
order since January 1<sup>st</sup> you are good until  
March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please do not keep filling  
this one out if you have already done so.**

[DLMD Standing order link](#)

## Who can get free meals?

In case this is your first time seeing all of this and you are not sure what this is all about, during the pandemic the USDA has authorized free meals to all children 1-18 years old. Helena School District has been authorized to hand out multiple meals to every child in that age group whether they are in school or not. That includes siblings and even children visiting from other areas. All you need to do is pre-order each meal by using the links above and choose which site you want to pick up meals from. We offer free breakfast and lunch meals for 5 days at a time. If you have questions, please contact the Food Service Office at 324-2570