

Nutritional Services Emergency Newsletter

Issue 13

Phase II

Distance learning Meals

As you all know today started the first week of Phase II, where k-2 are now in school 4 days a week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday). Over the next 3 weeks all schools will eventually be back to in-person school 4 days a week. This means that we will still have a need for distance learning meals for those students, and *not all* students are going back so they will need meals as well.

What you need to know:

Students in school will be given **3 days** worth of breakfast and lunch meals on the Wednesday meal distribution days.

All other children 1-18 will be given **5 days** worth of meals like we have been doing. This list includes all siblings and students that are still distance learning 5 days a week.

When you tell the staff how many kids you have, you must also tell them how many kids are going to in-person school and how many are not.

We must separate the meals because we cannot give any student more than a total of 7 days worth of meals a week, as part of the current federal regulations. Following this rule will allow the school district to continue to receive reimbursement dollars for **all meals**.

For all current menus.

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

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In school Meals

Every school has their own plan as to how meals will be served to kids. If you want to know the specifics you will need to contact your individual schools, there are simply too many ways to write them all down here.

Here are the things that all plans have in common:

All meals are still **free** to all students that want a Breakfast or Lunch

All meals are served to students the safest way possible in every plan, in order to reduce any possible contamination.

We can provide any medical meal accommodation as needed, if we know it before hand.

If a student missed a meal for any situation all they have to do is tell a teacher and we will get them a meal right away. This includes if a student is late getting to school.

Meals do not need to be eaten at the time of service they can take a meal with them and eat it later. Please encourage children to take breakfast even if they are not hungry at that time, so they can eat it after school when they are hungry later.

If you have questions, please contact the food service office and we will be happy to help with any questions or problems you might have.

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