

# St. Martin Parish School Nutrition Program 2019-2020



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## 1. CEP Letter to Households

**ST. MARTIN PARISH  
SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM**  
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION  
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### *Community Eligibility Provision Letter to Households School Year 2019-2020*

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that the schools listed below will be implementing a new option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for School Year 2019-2020.

BREAUX BRIDGE PRIMARY  
BREAUX BRIDGE ELEMENTARY  
BREAUX BRIDGE JUNIOR HIGH  
BREAUX BRIDGE HIGH  
CATAHOULA ELEMENTARY  
PARKS PRIMARY  
PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL  
CECILIA PRIMARY  
TECHE ELEMENTARY  
CECILIA JUNIOR HIGH  
CECILIA HIGH SCHOOL  
EARLY LEARNING CENTER  
ST. MARTINVILLE PRIMARY  
ST. MARTINVILLE JUNIOR HIGH  
ST. MARTINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL  
STEPHENSVILLE ELEMENTARY

**What does this mean for you and your children attending the school(s) identified above?**

Great news for you and your students! All enrolled students of the school sites (all public school sites in St. Martin Parish School District) named above are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at no charge to your household each day of the 2019-2020 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) who are students at the schools listed above will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a meal application.

Sincerely,

*Lucretia Hertzock, SN Supervisor*

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## 2. Civil Rights Policy

### ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM Civil Rights Policy 2019-2020

The following guidelines must be used when processing a complaint against the School Food Service Program which alleges discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap.

#### **Handling Complaints Procedure**

- I. Processing Complaints
  - a. St. Martin Parish must accept and process any written or oral complaint received. Anonymous complaints must be received and investigated also. The processing should not take longer than 90 calendar days from receipt.
  - b. State SFS Agency must be notified of all complaints.
- II. Handling Complaints
  - a. Any person alleging discrimination by the School Food Service Program on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap has the right to file a complaint. This complaint must be filed within 180 calendar days of the alleged discriminatory action.
  - b. If the complainant does not choose to make the complaint in writing, the person receiving the complaint shall document the elements of the complaint in writing.
- III. Elements of the Complaint
  - a. Specific location and name of the entity delivering the service or benefit.
  - b. Nature of the incident/action that led the complainant to feel discrimination.
  - c. Specific basis on which the complainant feels discrimination exists (i.e. race, color, national origin, age, sex or handicap).
  - d. Names, titles, and addresses of persons who may have knowledge of the alleged discriminatory action.
  - e. Dates during which alleged discriminatory action occurred.
  - f. Names, address, and the telephone number or other means of contacting the complainant. Anonymous complaints must be accepted and processed.

\*\*For further assistance contact Lucretia Hertzock, SN Supervisor at (337) 332-2015.

### 3. Public Release

**St. Martin Parish School Nutrition Program Public Release 2019-2020 for CEP**  
*ST. MARTIN PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT*  
MEDIA RELEASE

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)  
School Food Service Section

*ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD* today announced an amendment to its policy for serving meals to students under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for the 2019-2020 school year. All students will be served lunch and breakfast at no charge at the following sites:

***BREAUX BRIDGE PRIMARY***  
***BREAUX BRIDGE ELEMENTARY***  
***BREAUX BRIDGE JUNIOR HIGH***  
***BREAUX BRIDGE HIGH***  
***CATAHOULA ELEMENTARY***  
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***ST. MARTINVILLE JUNIOR HIGH***  
***ST. MARTINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL***  
***PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL***  
***PARKS PRIMARY***  
***STEPHENSVILLE ELEMENTARY***

For additional information please contact: *ST MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD*, Attention: *LUCRETIA HERTZOCK, SN SUPERVISOR, SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM, P.O. BOX 1000, BREAUX BRIDGE, LA 70517 337-332-2105.*

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### 4. Take Out Policy

#### **School Nutrition Take Out Policy 2019-2020**

Take out meal service may be offered to employees of St. Martin Parish School Board when the following guidelines are adhered to:

1. Disposable flatware and containers are utilized. An additional fee of .50 cents will be added to the established adult meal price to pay for the expense of disposables.
2. Due to food safety and sanitation issues, SN disposables must be utilized. A take out customer cannot

3. provide containers in order to avoid the .50 cents charge.
4. A reimbursable meal following guidelines established in Heathy and Hungry Free Kids Act will be given.
4. **Meals may not be removed from the school premises.** The meal must be consumed on school grounds and properly disposed of after consumption.
5. Accurate meal accountability will be utilized at the point of service to established take out meal counts for that day. Take out adult meals will be categorized with adult meals on the SFS 7 form daily.
6. Take out meal service may be utilized for both breakfast and lunch service. Take out meals will be served only during regular established meal periods.

Any school not adhering to the above stated guidelines may lose the privilege of take out meal service.

## 5 Guidelines for Food Brought from home

### St. Martin School Nutrition Program

#### *Guidelines for Food Brought from home into the School Nutrition Facilities*

A school principal may have additional guidelines established for the school which is not outlined below. These school guidelines may encompass areas outside of the dining facilities, sharing of food items, or food brought from home for class activities or school functions.

A school principal has the right to investigate the contents of items brought from home for consumption. If you have any questions regarding your child's school, please contact the school principal.

Below are parish guidelines for food brought into the School Nutrition facilities during meal service:

1. Meals should be nutritious and comparable to the ones served in the facility.
2. No commercial labeling on noncompliance food. For example: Drinks which are allowable are 100% full strength juice, both plain and flavored milk, and non-flavored noncarbonated water. Place all other drink choices in a thermos container or wrap the container with foil or napkin.
3. No food shall be brought in from outside in fast food containers.
4. If a meal is not claimed with the School Nutrition Program, regardless of the child's status, milk, juice, and water must be purchased at the established price.
5. No consumption of competitive foods will be allowed during meal service.
6. No food items containing peanuts. This is a Peanut Free District.

## 6. Warehouse Procedures

### WAREHOUSE & DELIVERY REQUESTS for 2019-2020

**Horace "Lite" Batiste, Warehouse Personnel**

**Anthony Faulk, Warehouse Personnel**

**Delivery requests are now digital.** Submit delivery requests at the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/13c7zVfIbcQKEc4Ga5SL-vrIDzX5aC2ktfVCUhzdRS00/viewform?ts=5be4ac97&edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/13c7zVfIbcQKEc4Ga5SL-vrIDzX5aC2ktfVCUhzdRS00/viewform?ts=5be4ac97&edit_requested=true)

This link can also be found on the District Webpage at  
About → Staff Forms → Schools → Delivery Requests

1. A three day notice would be preferable but emergencies do arise occasionally.
2. **DO NOT PLACE REQUESTS WITH THE WAREHOUSE PERSONNEL.** All requests are logged and reviewed weekly to ensure all requests are being handled in a timely and fair manner.

If you have any questions, contact Jennifer Latiolais.

## 7. Meal Prices 2019-2020

### Breakfast

Employees	1.75
Parents & Visitors	2.45

### Lunch

Employees	3.00
Parents & Visitors	4.85

### Extra Sales

Milk, Juice	.60
Ice Cream	1.00
Water, 8 oz	.60
Water, 16 oz	1.00
Take Out Box	.50
2 <sup>nd</sup> Meals	4.85

## 8. Meal Charges

CEP ensures that all students are eligible to receive a free breakfast and free lunch meal. Students are not allowed to charge second meals. **Second meals** may be purchased for breakfast and lunch at \$2.45 and \$4.85 respectively.

Administrators, teachers and staff will only be allowed to charge two meals (\$6.00). After this limit is reached the system will not allow charges. Please ensure that all charges are zeroed out at the end of each month. Principals will receive monthly charge reports to ensure that balances are paid.

## 9. Tentative Employee & Manager In-service Dates

Thursday, August 1, 2019                      8:00 am – 4:00pm                      CCRC

Friday, August 2, 2019                      10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Please refer to School Nutrition calendar for monthly Manager Meeting dates.

## 10. Wellness Policy & Competitive Foods Policy

St. Martin Parish LOCAL WELLNESS POLICY...

Copy on file with School Based Health Centers Coordinator, Adrian Huval or see District website