



Canton Local

Nutrition Services

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Welcome Back!

From the desk of...

Ashley Morena, Nutrition Services Director

During the past two years, the school nutrition department has operated under USDA waivers, providing all students nationwide with free meals. Unfortunately, those waivers have expired. Our program will revert to previous operations and guidelines established before the pandemic. The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) will go back into effect for Faircrest Memorial Elementary and Canton South Middle Schools, allowing us to provide meals free of charge to students in grades Prek-8. Unfortunately, Canton South High School does not qualify for CEP.

We have seen tremendous success in our program and are happy to announce that we can provide **FREE breakfast to all Canton South High Students** through the universal free breakfast program during the 2022-2023 school year.

It is imperative that all families complete the free and reduced meal application, also known as the meal benefits application. I outlined many benefits in the column to the right of the page.



Meal Benefits Application

When a parent/guardian completes the meal application, it can potentially assist with school fees, increase funding to support our schools and P-EBT eligibility and more.

Help yourself and our district qualify for additional funding opportunities by applying for free or reduced meals for the upcoming school year at payschoolscentral.com or by visiting the cantonlocal.org website.

Meal Prices

Breakfast

PreK-12: FREE

Non Student: \$2.75

Lunch

Prek-8: FREE

Gr. 9-12: \$3.75

Reduced: \$.40

Non Student: \$4.75

Extra Milk

\$.60

Meal Times



Canton South High

Breakfast: 7:10am - 7:40am

Lunch: 10:03am - 12:45pm

Canton South Middle

Breakfast: 7:20am - 7:40am

Lunch: 10:49am - 12:53pm

Faircrest Memorial Elementary

Breakfast: 8:20am - 8:40am

Lunch: 10:50am - 1:00pm

*If your student attends Faircrest Elementary or Canton South Middle Schools, your student will receive free meals through the CEP program. However, completing the meal benefits form is still important even though all students at those buildings receive free meals.

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Follow us at Canton South Nutrition and Wellness on Facebook and Instagram for the most up to date information.



*This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



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What's on the menu?

My School Menus is the fastest and easiest way to view your child's school lunch and breakfast menu!*

Favorite Features:

- Most up to date menu
- Nutrition Information
- Carb Counts
- Filter by Allergens

We expect supply chain challenges receiving food and paper products to continue this year. But, please know that even though the menu is subject to change (at times last minute), we will always provide delicious foods that students love.

*Paper menus will not be printed. Access all menus on the district website or download the "My School Menus" app.



Did you know that the School Nutrition Department is required to be self-sustaining? This means we only receive revenue when meals are served. Therefore, we do not receive funding when we have a snow day or any other day of the year when we do not serve meals. We operate just like a restaurant and are proud that our program continues to be self-sustaining while providing high-quality meals and service.

Thank you! When your child chooses to eat breakfast and lunch with us, they support local jobs within the district and surrounding businesses such as Dough Go's, Mary Ann Donuts, Varian Orchards and more! We are on a mission to support and partner with as many local businesses and farmers as possible to keep costs down, support our local economy, and bring the freshest ingredients to our students.

We know you are working hard and trying to navigate inflation and everything we call life. It is our honor and joy to serve breakfast and lunch every day to your child, and we hope you take advantage of our fantastic program.

Wildcat Backpacks



We are pleased to continue our partnership with North Industry Christian Church, along with other area churches and the Akron Canton Food Bank to offer weekend backpack meals. If you feel your family qualifies based on income, please complete the meal benefit application at payschoolscentral.com. If you are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, we will send home a permission slip to participate in the program.

Meal Charge & Meal Debt Policies



Please take time to review the meal charge and meal debt policies at www.cantonlocal.org.

What Makes a Meal?

Did you know that all students can take an entree, 2 fruits, 2 vegetables, and milk for lunch? See the picture below of just one of many school lunches.

