



Nutrition Services

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Year in Review

Staffing Update

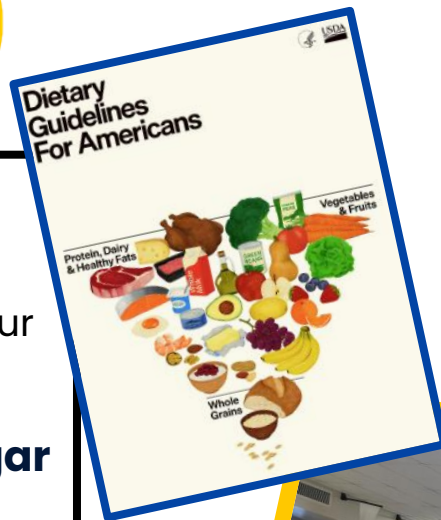
Staffing continues to be strong. Thank you to our amazing team of professionals!

USDA Dietary Guidelines and Added Sugar Limits:

We've started to slowly reduce sugar and sodium to meet upcoming federal requirements, giving us time to make thoughtful menu adjustments.

2026: No mandatory changes. Whole milk is now an option at lunch.

Fall 2027: Added sugars limited to no more than 10% of weekly calories, with sodium reduced by 10% for breakfast and 15% for lunch.



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Year in Review

Spotlight on Produce

Each month, we'll highlight specific fruits and vegetables.

These Spotlights on Produce connect with our literacy theme and include colorful signage created by our main supplier.

Theme Days

Here are just a few examples:

- **Border Battle** – Show your team pride!
- **Twins Home Opener** – Baseball-themed meals



Food Rescue Program

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Partnership with Basic Needs started in the fall of 2024.

1st full calendar year donations during 2025 yielded **46,004 lbs of food** for the local community.

Student Safety First

- To protect students with severe food allergies, uneaten food cannot be redistributed within schools.

What's Rescued?

- Unwanted **fruits, vegetables** and **shelf-stable items**.
- These items are **collected** and **redistributed** to help fight **food insecurity** in our community.



Programs Administered



- **National School Breakfast and Lunch Program – School Year 2025–26**
- **National School Breakfast and Lunch Program– Targeted Services**

Summer

- **Cottage Grove Elementary**
- **Red Rock Elementary**
- **Cottage Grove Middle School**
- **Kids Club– Catering Summer**
 - **Armstrong Elementary**
 - **Nuevas Fronteras Elementary**
 - **Valley Crossing Elementary**
 - **Woodbury Elementary School**
- **Summer EBT available for qualifying families – “Sun Bucks”**

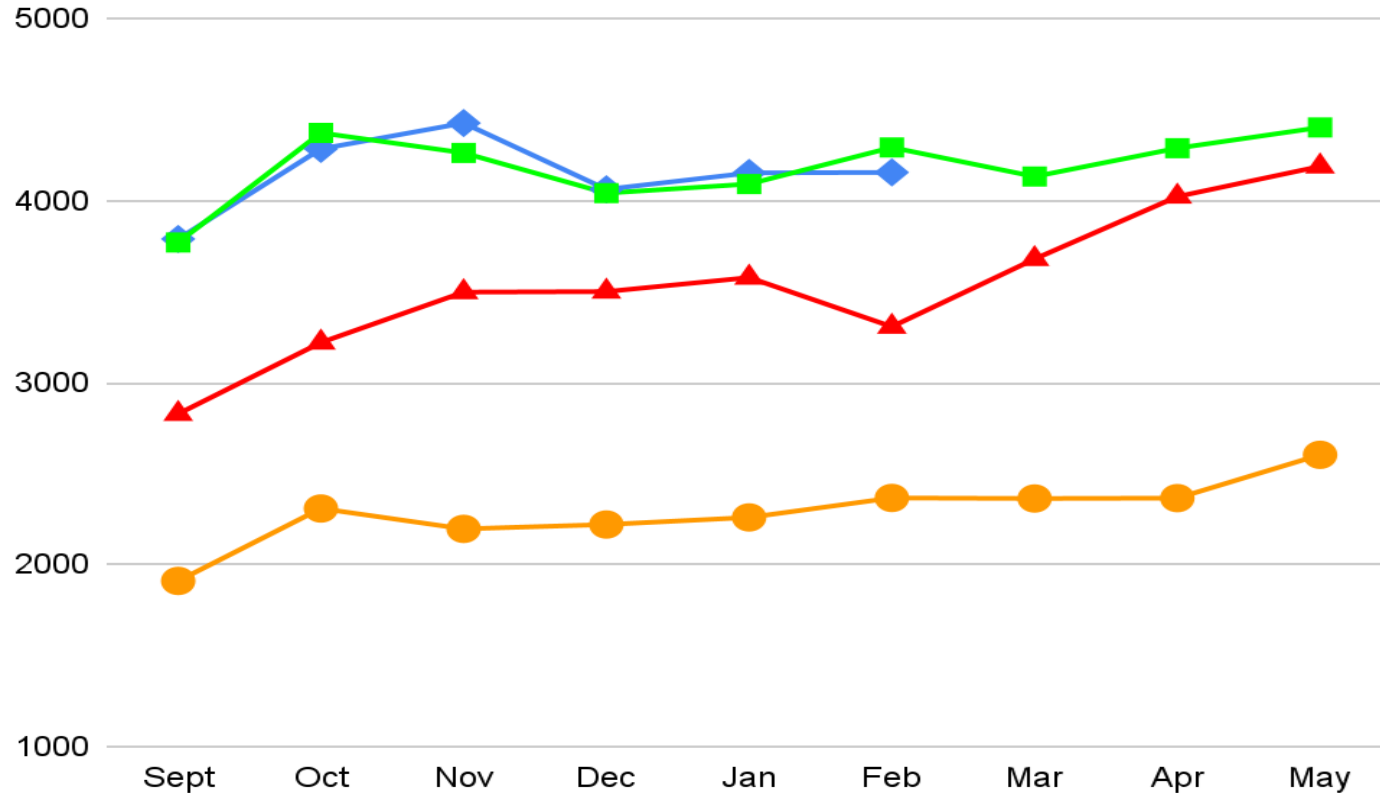




**Reimbursement
Rates**

Year	Breakfast	Lunch
2026	\$2.46	\$4.815
2025	\$2.37	\$4.645
2024	\$2.28	\$4.455
2023	\$2.26	\$4.535

Average Daily Breakfast Participation (District Wide)

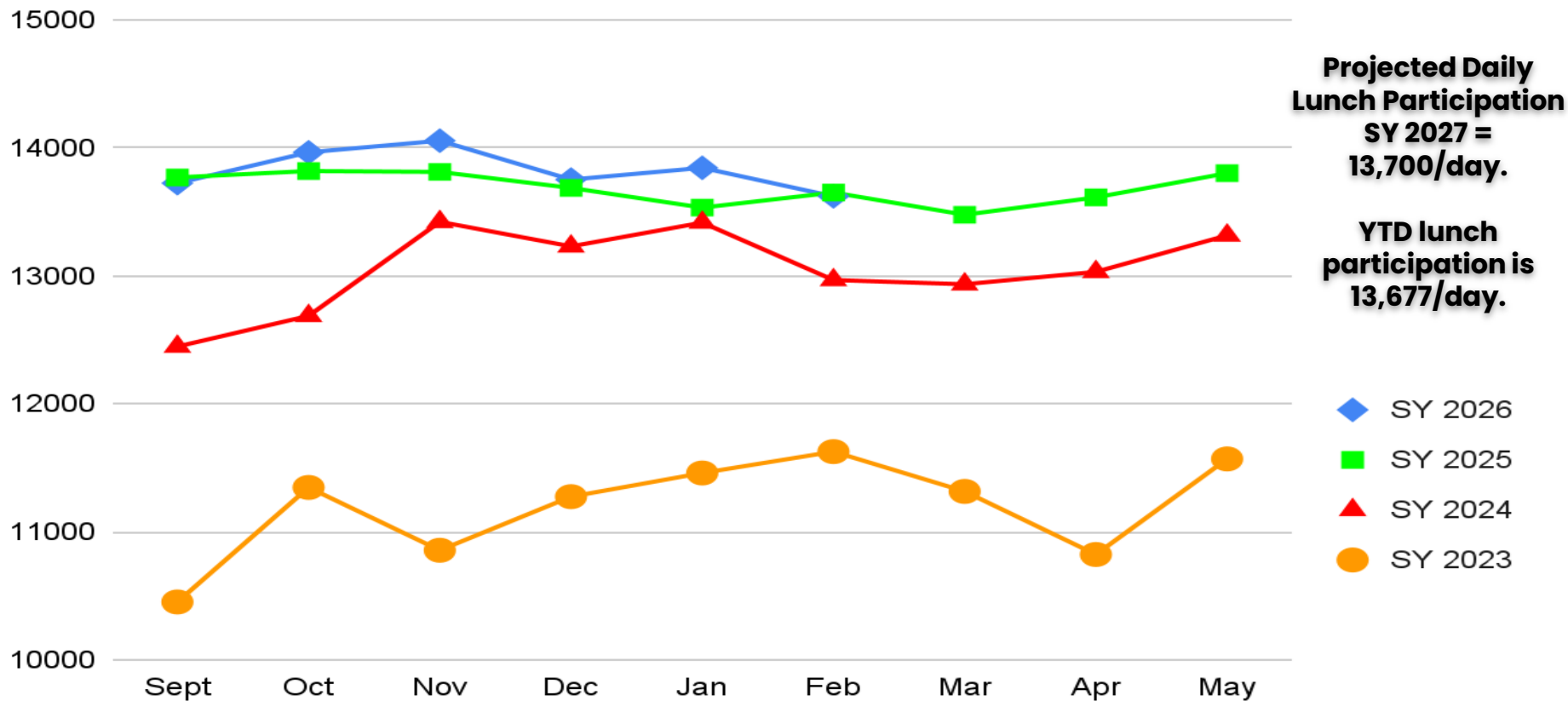


***Projected Daily
Breakfast
Participation
SY 2027 = 4150/day.***

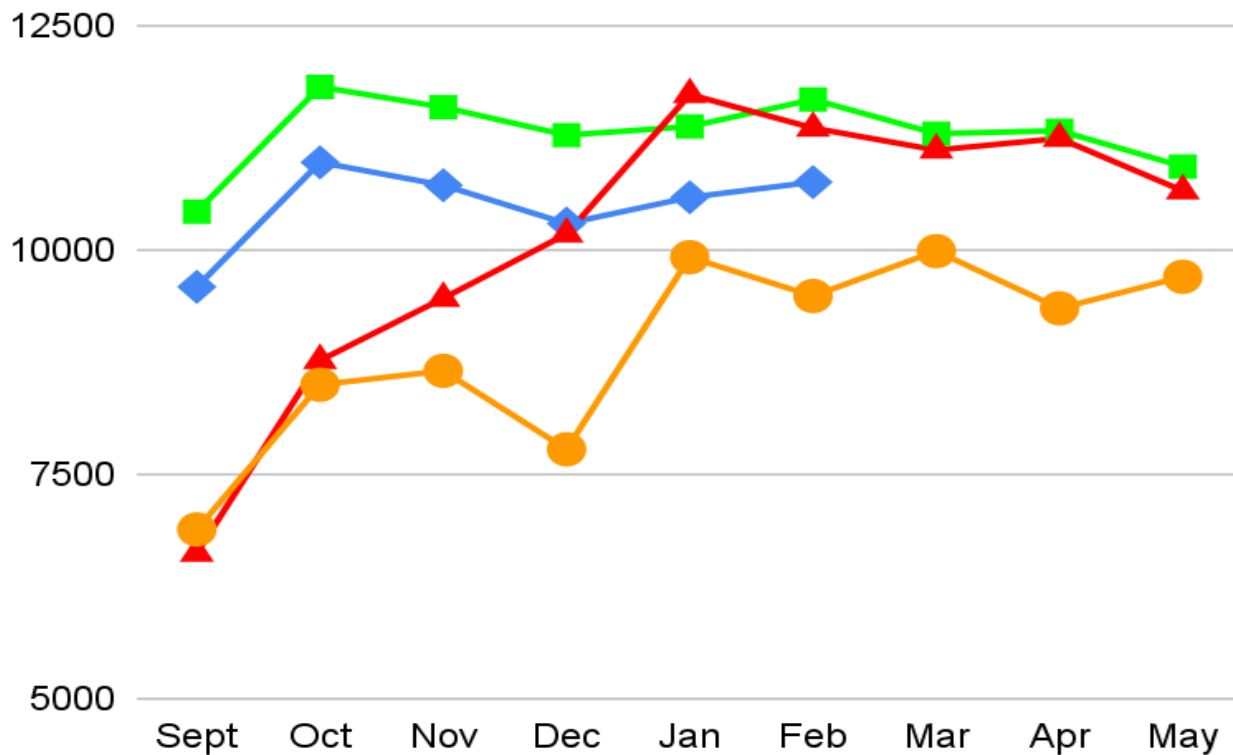
***YTD Breakfast
Average is 4139/day.***

- ◆ SY 2026
- SY 2025
- ▲ SY 2024
- SY 2023

Average Daily Lunch Participation (District Wide)



Average Daily Ala Carte Sales (District Wide)



Projected Daily A la Carte Sales SY 2027 = \$10,400/day.

Average Daily A La Carte Revenue = \$10,367/day.

- ◆ SY 2026
- SY 2025
- ▲ SY 2024
- SY 2023

Detail – Revenue Summary

Category	School Year 26 Proposed	School Year 26 Adjusted	School Year 27 Proposed
Breakfast	\$1,697,165	\$1,690,900	\$1,725,652
Lunch	\$11,605,498	\$12,328,415	\$12,493,310
Ala Carte	\$1,975,000	\$1,837,000	\$1,828,000
Other/Interest	\$306,000	\$344,000	\$346,000
Total Revenue	\$15,583,663	\$16,200,315	\$16,392,756

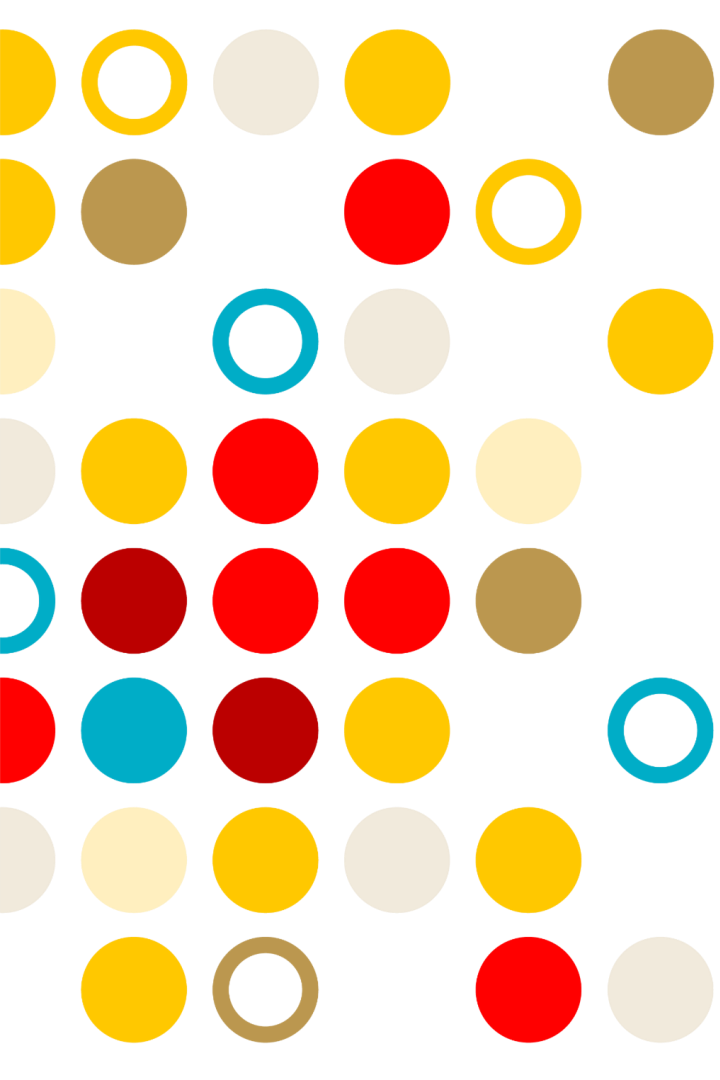


Detail – Expenditures Summary

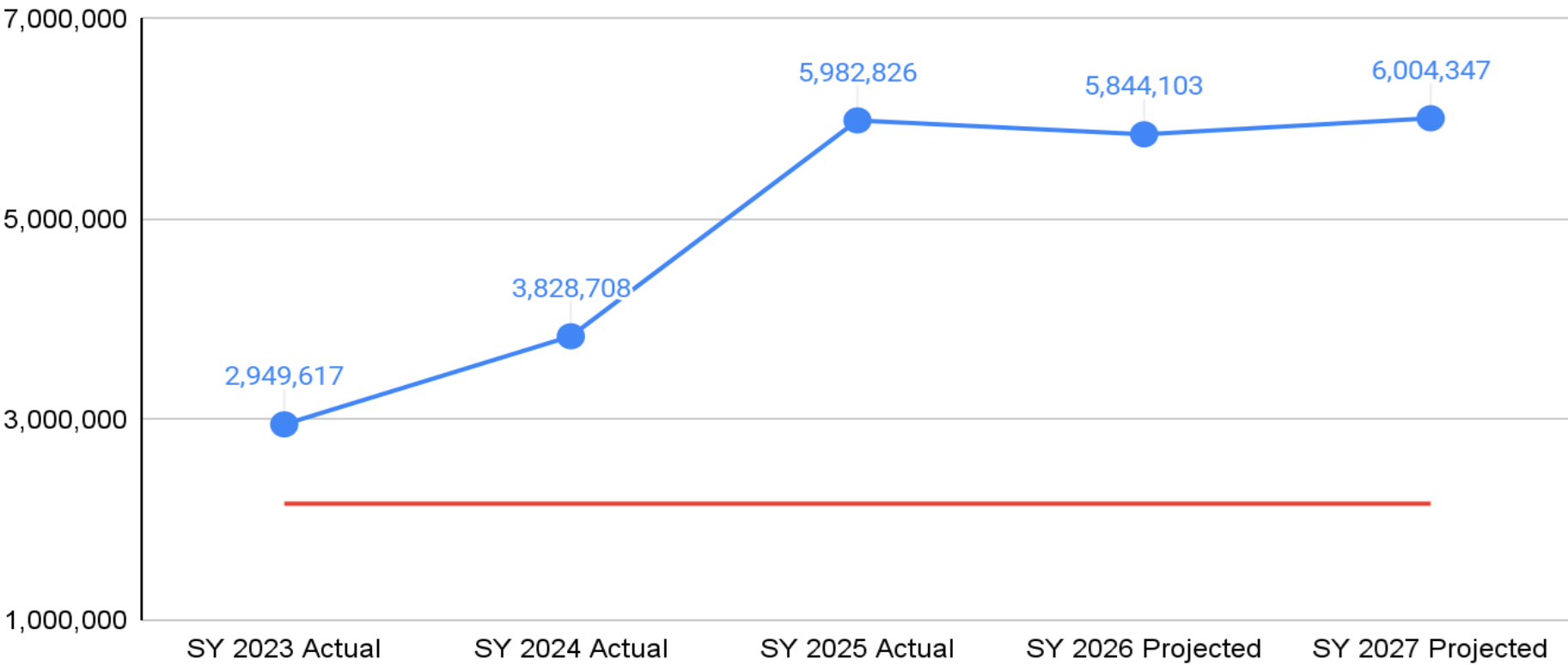


Category	School Year 26 Proposed	School Year 26 Adjusted	School Year 27 Proposed
Salaries	\$4,420,355	\$4,699,355	\$4,867,480
Fringe Benefits	\$1,550,583	\$1,432,803	\$1,572,622
Purchased Services	\$595,000	\$502,000	\$539,200
Food and Supplies	\$6,535,915	\$7,280,915	\$7,282,880
Equipment	\$1,530,000	\$1,130,000	\$630,000
Other	\$18,500	\$20,500	\$21,500
Chargebacks	\$1,347,477	\$1,273,465	\$1,318,830
Total Expenses	\$15,997,830	\$16,339,038	\$16,232,512

Detail – Financial Summary

- Revenue: \$16,392,756
 - Minus Expenses: \$16,232,512
 - Fund Balance Decrease: +\$160,244
 - **Projected Fund Balance Total:
\$6,004,347**
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Nutrition Services Fund Balance



Detail – Financial Summary

- Revenue: \$16,392,756
 - Minus Expenses: \$16,232,512
 - Fund Balance Decrease: +\$160,244
 - **Projected Fund Balance Total: \$6,004,347
or 37%**
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Questions?

