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Monticello Public Schools Nutrition Services

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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Monticello Families and Community,



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Director of Nutrition Services
Registered Dietitian

At Monticello Public Schools, we know firsthand that well-nourished students are ready-to-learn students. As we open our doors for another exciting school year, our Nutrition Services team remains deeply committed to powering academic success and student well-being through high-quality, balanced meals.

Every day, our dedicated Nutrition Services staff works hard to prepare wholesome breakfasts and lunches that meet and exceed high USDA standards—while making sure they are meals our students actually look forward to eating. From energizing morning breakfasts to satisfying mid-day lunches, we aim to keep every student focused, active, and thriving.

We are proud to share that ***all students will continue to receive one free breakfast and one free lunch every school day.*** Living out our commitment to serve "**Every Kid, Every Day,**" our team is eager to welcome your children into our lunchrooms with warm smiles and nourishing food. We look forward to partnering with you for a healthy, vibrant, and successful year ahead!

Contact Laura:
Laura.Wacker@monticello.k12.mn.us
763-272-3047

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

About School Meals for School Year 26-27

Breakfast and Lunch are FREE for students.

Additional meals, second entrees, single cartons of milk and A La Carte items are available for purchase. District staff and school guests may purchase meals and other items. All purchases require a positive nutrition services account balance or may be made with cash.

2026-27 Pricing

Pricing for adult meals, second entrees, and a la carte items will be available on the Nutrition Services Website in late August.

Students can purchase items using cash or using their student account- see the Nutrition Services website for instructions on how to add funds to your student's account.

Visit the Nutrition Services Website for Information About:

- Application for Educational Benefits
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Special Diets and Allergen Information
- Unpaid Meal Policy #534
- Adding Money to Your Student's Account & More!

Scan the QR Code to Visit the Nutrition Services Website



Menu Information

Our menus are available online through the MealViewer. MealViewer can be used to view daily breakfast and lunch menus, nutritional information, and more. Mealviewer Online Menus can but found on the Nutrition Services on the District Website (or by scanning the QR code above!)

Do I Still Need to Complete the Application for Educational Benefits?

By completing the Application for Educational Benefits, your student(s) may qualify for additional discounts and support. This application is the key to accessing extra benefits, including:

- *Reduced fees for school photography packages, local museums, and Metro Transit*
- *Potential food support in the summer (Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer)*
- *Reduced district activity fees*
- *Reduced internet fees*
- *Discounted cell phone rates through mobile phone providers*

How Do I Apply for Education Benefits?

You can apply for these benefits online in the Parent Portal. A blank application can also be on the Nutrition Services page of the district website: www.monticello.k12.mn.us. To request a blank application by mail, email kirsten.cowles@monticello.k12.mn.us or call 763-272-2038. Return completed Application for Educational Benefits form to:

Monticello Public School District
Attn: Kirsten Cowles
302 Washington Street
Monticello, MN 55362

**Children in households participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), and foster, homeless, migrant and runaway children are automatically eligible without reporting household income.*

MealViewer is also available as an App! Use the Links on the Nutrition Services website or scan the QR codes to the right to download the app:

MealViewer for Apple iOS



MealViewer for Android

