Darien Public Schools
Food Services Dining Highlights
Fall 2026



New School Year Style!

Many renovations happened at the end of last year and at the beginning of this year.



Royle Before



Royle After
& top picture



Holmes Before



Holmes After





Hindley Before



Hindley After

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Better Together

At the heart of Chartwells is a strong team of individuals who are dedicated to ensuring students leave the cafeteria happier and healthier than when they came in. Meet two of our chefs.

Tammy Carter

Kitchen Manager at Darien High School

Tammy started at Darien High School as a Food Service Worker. She was then promoted to Kitchen Manager at Royle Elementary. She was once again promoted and is now the Kitchen Manager at Darien High School!

Fun Fact: Tammy first learned to cook at 10 years old! She was quickly chosen as the cook for family gatherings. She has since taken her passion to our schools. We are glad she's here.

Tamar Hamilton

Sous Chef, Middlesex Middle School

Tamar started at Darien High School as a Food Service Worker. He was promoted to Sous Chef at Middlesex Middle School!

Fun Fact: Tamar has a brother and a mother who work in food services! He comes from a talented family of cooks.



Tammy Carter
Kitchen Manager DHS



Tamar Hamilton
Sous Chef MMS



MOOD BOOST

Coming soon! Mood Boost recipes will be featured at all Darien Elementary Schools in November and December.

WRAP & ROLL

Turn Up the Taste!

We're bringing handheld favorites to all cafeterias!

Students can enjoy delicious, flavor-packed wraps all December and January. In December, enjoy a different wrap every Wednesday at the DHS Chef's Table. Recipes will feature *Spice It Up* Discovery Kitchen influences in December and *Plant Power* in January. All elementary schools and Middlesex Middle School will highlight a different classic wrap each week.

Discovery KITCHEN

Spice It Up

plant power

DHS Chef's Table

We celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month at DHS with a special menu of:

Shredded Pulled Pork, Mojo de Cilantro Sauce, Sweet Plantains, and Rice & Black Beans on 9/18/26.



FUN DAYS

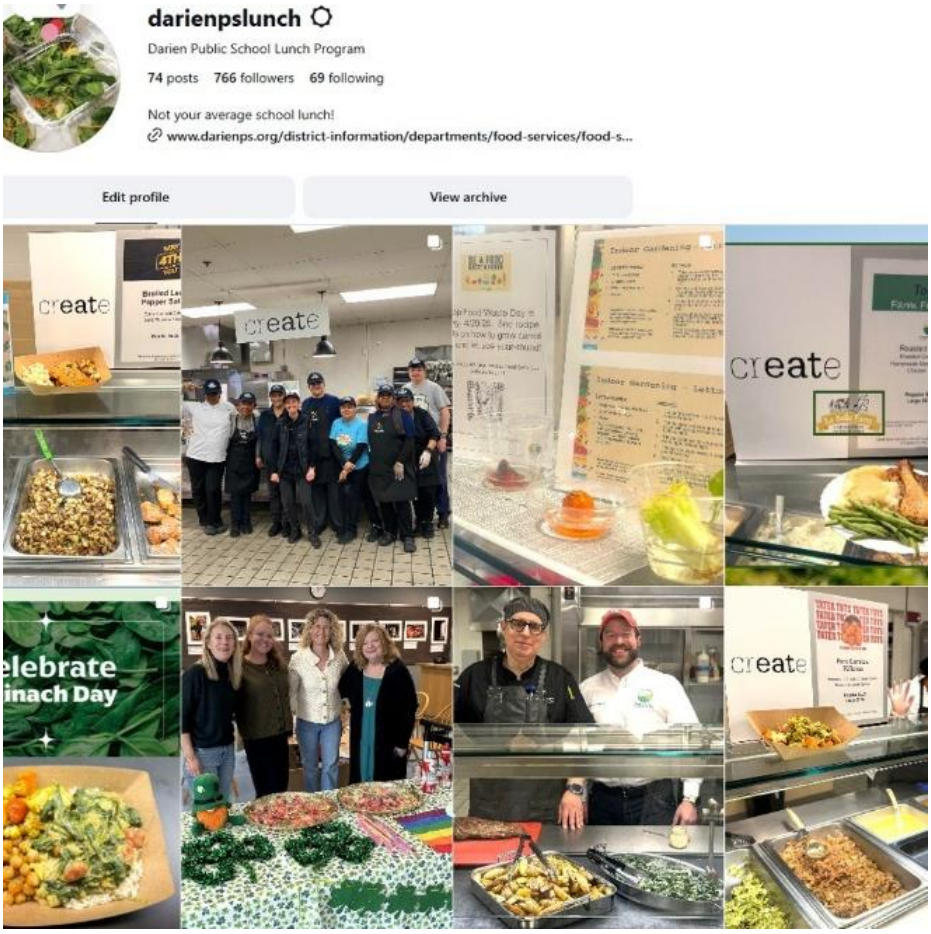
We're celebrating many Fun Days all year long! Some upcoming Fun Days include:







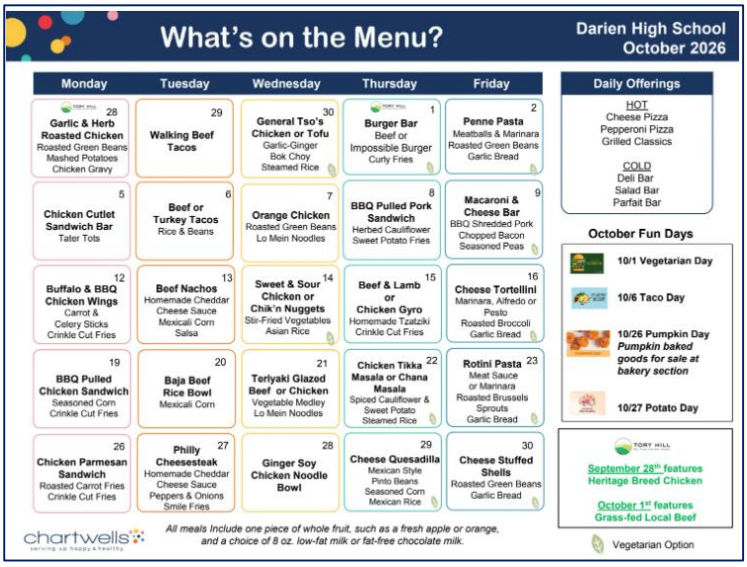
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Current Menus



What's on the Menu? — Darien High School, October 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28 **Garlic & Herb Roasted Chicken** Roasted Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Chicken Gravy	29 **Walking Beef Tacos**	30 **General Tso's Chicken or Tofu** Garlic-Ginger Bok Choy Steamed Rice	1 **Burger Bar** Beef or Impossible Burger Curly Fries	2 **Penne Pasta** Meatballs & Marinara Roasted Green Beans Garlic Bread
5 **Chicken Cutlet Sandwich Bar** Tater Tots	6 **Beef or Turkey Tacos** Rice & Beans	7 **Orange Chicken** Roasted Green Beans Lo Mein Noodles	8 **BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich** Herbed Cauliflower Sweet Potato Fries	9 **Macaroni & Cheese Bar** BBQ Shredded Pork Chopped Bacon Seasoned Peas
12 **Buffalo & BBQ Chicken Wings** Carrot & Celery Sticks Crinkle Cut Fries	13 **Beef Nachos** Homemade Cheddar Cheese Sauce Mexicali Corn Salsa	14 **Sweet & Sour Chicken or Chik'n Nuggets** Stir-Fried Vegetables Asian Rice	15 **Beef & Lamb or Chicken Gyro** Homemade Tzatziki Crinkle Cut Fries	16 **Cheese Tortellini** Marinara, Alfredo or Pesto Roasted Broccoli Garlic Bread
19 **BBQ Pulled Chicken Sandwich** Seasoned Corn Crinkle Cut Fries	20 **Baja Beef Rice Bowl** Mexicali Corn	21 **Teriyaki Glazed Beef or Chicken** Vegetable Medley Lo Mein Noodles	22 **Chicken Tikka Masala or Chana Masala** Spiced Cauliflower & Sweet Potato Steamed Rice	23 **Rotini Pasta** Meat Sauce or Marinara Roasted Brussels Sprouts Garlic Bread
26 **Chicken Parmesan Sandwich** Roasted Carrot Fries Crinkle Cut Fries	27 **Philly Cheesesteak** Homemade Cheddar Cheese Sauce Peppers & Onions Smile Fries	28 **Ginger Soy Chicken Noodle Bowl**	29 **Cheese Quesadilla** Mexican Style Pinto Beans Seasoned Corn Mexican Rice	30 **Cheese Stuffed Shells** Roasted Green Beans Garlic Bread

Daily Offerings

HOT
Cheese Pizza
Pepperoni Pizza
Grilled Classics

COLD
Deli Bar
Salad Bar
Parfait Bar

October Fun Days

- 10/1 Vegetarian Day
- 10/6 Taco Day
- 10/26 Pumpkin Day *Pumpkin baked goods for sale at bakery section*
- 10/27 Potato Day

Tory Hill: September 28th features Heritage Breed Chicken; October 1st features Grass-fed Local Beef

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All meals include one piece of whole fruit, such as a fresh apple or orange, and a choice of 8 oz. low-fat milk or fat-free chocolate milk.

Vegetarian Option

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