

ASCS LUNCH PROGRAM

Please review important details about our lunch program.

FOOD SERVICE INFORMATION

- Taher is our Food Service Management Company. Lynn Moore is the Food Service Director for our school. If you have Food Service questions you may contact Lynn at <u>allsaintsfsd@taher.com</u>
- Taher is in charge of providing healthy and great tasting meals for our students and staff. They create the monthly lunch menu (provided to families via the school newsletters)
- Taher offers an app called Food 4 Life app to see the nutrition and allergen information for each meal item.
- Users can download the app via the app store.
- If you would like to learn more about Taher please go to https://www.taher.com/
- Lesley Feudner handles the free and reduced lunch program along with the morning snack milk program for our SIT, K4 and K5 students. Any questions about these programs please contact her at lfeudner@allsaintskenosha.org or 262-925-4003.

FAMILY ACCOUNTS

- Each family is provided a lunch account. All account information & instructions are provided at Supply Drop Off.
 - It is mandatory that each family sets up their lunch account.
- Active accounts/balances from the previous school year do carry over, you do not need to recreate a new one.
- Applications for Free and Reduced lunches can be found <u>HERE</u> or you can apply online <u>HERE</u> (All families should apply as this also serves as a way to receive Title Funds/Learning Support services (i.e. Mrs.Kok)
- Lunches are batched out the following morning after a lunch/milk is received. For
 example, your child receives a lunch on Monday, Tuesday morning it will be
 batched to your account, but will reference the date the lunch was received.

ALL ACCOUNTS NEED TO HAVE FUNDS IN ORDER TO PURCHASE A LUNCH OR MILK

Payments Options:

- Credit card directly to your family Wordware/Edutrak account
- Cash, or check payable to ASCS (send with your child, in an envelope with name/hot lunch)

(PLEASE NOTE: WE NO LONGER HAVE CC PAYMENT OPTION FOR LUNCH ACCOUNTS ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE. CC PAYMENTS/AUTO WITHDRAWL SHOULD BE MADE DIRECTLY ON YOUR WORDWARE/EDUTRAK ACCOUNT)

POLICY FOR UNPAID HOT LUNCH ACCOUNTS

- It's the parent's responsibility to check the family Wordware/Edutrak account on a weekly basis.
- ASCS sets a threshold of \$10.00 on the account. Anytime your account falls below \$10.00 you will receive a low balance email notification, until your account is above \$10.00 or at a zero balance.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU KEEP YOUR ACCOUNT CURRENT.

- Past due invoices will be sent home weekly with your child.
- If your account is negative for a week you will be notified that your child will need to bring a cold lunch/drink to school until the account is current.
- If payment is not received and a cold lunch/drink is not brought to school, the office staff will call home for you to bring a cold lunch for your child(ren).
- Please note that ASCS will never let a child go without a lunch, but we need you to be diligent in keeping up on your account.

IMPORTANT LUNCH PROCEDURES

- Monthly lunch menus will be provided near the end of the current month in the school newsletter and website. Please review with your child(ren).
- Cost: \$3.55 (includes milk); Milk only .50¢
- Lunches are ordered on a daily basis. The teachers will ask your child their preferred menu choice. The lunch count needs to be in by 8:00 a.m. daily. IMPORTANT: If your child will be late to school, please inform the office or teacher by 8:00 a.m. if he/she will be taking hot lunch.
- Meals will be served on trays, they will not be prepackaged meals.
- Meals are prepared in our school kitchen. ASCS offers 2 main (hot/cold) choices. A self-serve fruit and vegetable bar will be available for those students who purchase a lunch. Students can have endless fruit and veggies!

LUNCH COMPONENTS - PLEASE READ

ASCS is part of the National School Lunch program.

This means we have to adhere to certain standards when it comes to lunches. In order for a lunch to be reimbursable the students need to follow this pattern below when taking a lunch.

We will remind your child to try a food, if they do not have all the components.





Grades K5-8

Grades SIT-K4

PER WISCONSIN NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM:

We can only serve white milk at lunch for SIT-K4

Why can't flavored milk be served to children younger than kindergarten? Research indicates that flavor and food preferences are shaped early in life and that the more sweet foods children consume, the more they prefer sweet foods. It is important to establish in young children the habit of drinking unflavored milk as they develop their taste preferences.

**Please note
that SIT-K4 will
have their food
plated at their
table, but can still
receive as many
fruits and
vegetables as
they want.