

St. Mary's Elementary School

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Dear Families,

At St. Mary's Elementary School, we know the importance of school meals in fueling both healthy minds and bodies. Even though school meals may look a little different during School Year 2021-2022, please know that our school nutrition team is working hard to ensure students have safe, nutritious, and appealing meals. Today, I am writing to share how we are working to overcome food supply and labor challenges related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency so that students continue to receive school meals.

At times, our school district may not receive expected food orders due to labor shortages (such as delivery drivers) and limited product availability (for example, discontinued products or not enough of a specific type of product). As a result, your school may need to make last-minute changes to the menu or substitute a different brand of a food product. We know that students have favorite menu items and are working hard to provide them whenever possible. We are also thinking ahead to identify alternative food items that are nutritious and appealing for the students.

We appreciate your patience, flexibility, and understanding as we work to provide school meals in a challenging and changing environment. Please contact Gwen Johnson with any questions, feedback, or suggestions at: gwen.johnson.sms@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Gwen Johnson

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