



November 17, 2017

Dear Mother of Providence Families,

Please allow us to introduce ourselves as the new Lunch Managers for the NDS Program. Our names are Patti Mitchell and Marilyn Derrickson. We are very excited to be a part of the Universal Hot Lunch Program beginning at your school. We would just like to go over a few details with regard to the ordering process.

Each month, you will receive the lunch menu. It is very important that you go over this menu with your child and circle clearly each day that they wish to receive a hot lunch. A la carte items are not permitted to be ordered (i.e. chocolate chip cookie, milk, etc.). A full meal will be served if your child decides to order. Many students will not wish to order every item in the month due to personal taste but some will. If 150 students order lunch on a given day, 150 entrees are ordered and cooked. There is not an endless supply of meals being cooked each day to avoid the waste that this would create.

It is important to return your order form in a timely matter so the correct amount of inventory can be ordered. There will always be plenty of food so if a student forgets their lunch, a lunch will be provided. It may not be the entrée that is on the menu that day but may be an entrée that we have in our inventory. Although juice is sometimes one of the sides, white milk, chocolate milk and strawberry milk are always available. Please let us know if there are any students who are lactose intolerant so we can accommodate them.

Also, it is imperative that we are made aware of any food allergy your child may have. We will gladly send home a medical form or one can be found on the school website. Once completed, it will be kept in the school office and lunchroom for our information. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the lunch program, our school email address is below. We welcome your feedback.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,
Patti Mitchell and Marilyn Derrickson
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