# Nutrition Service Update



February 2011



### Food Service Program Results

January was a good month for participation in the Food Service program. We were right at budget for breakfasts, lunches and snacks. Supper continues to exceed budget with the Illinois Valley, Lorna Byrne, Evergreen and Grants Pass Boys and Girls Clubs showing increased attendance and participation. We also continue to look for opportunities to increase revenue by promoting our program to outside sources to such as New Hope School and Brighton Academy. In addition, we are exploring opportunities to provide Grants Pass National and American Little Leagues with product for their concession stands at both Morrison Park and All Sports Park.

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## **Upcoming Events**

Evergreen Multi-Cultural Night—March 3rd—Demonstration cooking of culinary delights from around the world.

Merlin Alternative Center—April 20th—Student Barbecue with Cheeseburgers, Potato Salad and all the fixings.

Evergreen Elementary—April 13th— Hosting Farm to Market with our wonderful A to Z salad Bar for all the students. Parents and Administrators are invited to attend.



Lift-Off! Our Nutritional Ambassador

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### **Kitchen Equipment**

Over the past month our program has experienced many challenges with failing equipment around the district as listed below:

Jerome Prairie—Freezer not cooling properly

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Hidden Valley—Freezer will not hold temperature

Madrona—Dishwasher not coming up to temperature

Illinois Valley High—Walk-in freezer accumulating ice build up at door

Fleming Middle— Convection oven will not come up to temperature

Applegate—Walk-in freezer and refrigerator not holding at temperature

Lincoln Savage—Hot holding cabinet not coming up to temperature

We continue to work with maintenance to repair these items. Unfortunately some of our equipment is so old that replacement parts are unavailable. Replacement is currently in the process for a new oven at Fleming. We are modifying menus to accommodate these challenges.





#### **Produce of the Month**

This month our produce of the month is Arugula. In Roman times Arugula was grown for both it's leaves and the seed. The seed was used for flavoring oils. Like most salad greens, Arugula is very low in calories and is high in vitamins A and C. Arugula performs best in spring to early summer. After that time, plant it under the shade of an "airy" tree (not dense shade), or under shade cloth. It is not fussy at all, although too much drought and summer heat will cause the leaves to be smaller and more "peppery".

### **Staff Birthdays**

February

Kathy Manfull— Evergreen Danene Lee— North Valley High School Karma Flick—Hidden Valley High School

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

