

# Fleming Newsletter

October 2009

## Quick Calendar

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| 10/8  | First Trimester Conferences<br>11:00-4:00 School Appointed Parent Conferences<br>5:00 –7:00 Arena Conferences in the Gym |
| 10/9  | State-wide Inservice—No School   |
| 10/13 | After School Dance 3:00—5:00 cost \$4.00   |
| 10/15 | PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30 PM   |
| 10/23 | Magazine Drive / Cookie Fundraiser   |

### Principals & Office Staff

Greg Tardieu-Principal

Heather Yount- Assistant  
Principal

Jerry Keeling- Counselor

Kym Woolsey- Office Manager

Pam Kudlac- Secretary

Maria Caruncho- Records

Office Hours: 7:30am-4:00pm

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### Swine Flu News

We have experienced several absences due to the flu and several more students leaving each day. There is a wide variety of symptoms; the most common issue being a fever over 100 degrees. If your student has a fever over 100 degrees they must stay out of school for a minimum of 24 hours.

#### Students need to:

- A. Wash their hands repeatedly though out the day.
- B. NOT share water bottles.
- C. Stay home when they are sick.
- D. Cover their mouths when sneezing or coughing.
- E. Get vaccinated for both the regular flu and H1N1 flu.

# GO ROGUES !

**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

Dear Parents,

I am certain everyone is tired of hearing about the H1N1 by now. Unfortunately, what we had hoped was a lot of hype has turned out to be the real deal. Students and families need to be very defensive about minimizing their exposure to germs left behind by others. Washing hands with hot soapy water is still the best defense. If your child has a fever over 100 degrees and is showing any other symptoms they will be sent home. Please help us by keeping your child home when they have a fever.

Other than the high number of sick students this has been a good start of the year. Our incoming 6th graders have been an awesome group of kids. Our academic expectations for our students are as high as ever. You can help us with your child’s success. First, check your child’s agenda daily. Second, you can go online and check teachers’ monthly lessons, so you may have a good idea of what is coming up in classes.

Now for the big news. The Oregon Department of Education has rated Fleming as an “Outstanding” school! As most of you know the Department of Education changed its rating system—Schools can now only be one of the following “Needs Improvement,” “Satisfactory” or “Outstanding.” We always knew our students were Outstanding and now the Department of Education has made it official.

Sincerely,  
Greg Tardieu  
Principal

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school. Fleming has had an outstanding September. Our teachers have been busy teaching behavioral and academic expectations to all students.

Our fall athletic season is in full swing. Almost 100 students are participating in either football, volleyball or cross country. They are doing an excellent job representing Fleming in a safe, respectful, and responsible manner both in the classroom and on the field. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our volunteer coaches:

<u>Football</u>		<u>Volleyball</u>	<u>Cross Country</u>
Steve Brown	Todd DeChenne	Kathy Mathews	Steven Stuckey
Cliff Woodruff	Jeff Brazille	Maria Caruncho	
Matt Hillis	Eric Webb		

Finally, I would just like to take this time to thank all of you parents for your tremendous support for our student athletes. None of our successes would be possible without our parents.

Heather Yount  
Assistant Principal/Athletic Director



## ***Talented and Gifted Program (TAG)***

***Three Rivers School District actively searches for those students who are intellectually gifted or academically talented in reading and/or math. As stated by law, to qualify, students must have supporting behavioral, learning and/or performance information. Additionally, they must score in the 97th percentile on nationally standardized tests or intellectual ability or academic achievement in reading or math. Nominations are accepted from parents, students, and teachers. Any questions about these programs or other TAG offerings should be directed to Kelli Palmerton at the District Office, 862-3111 ext. 5226.***

## ***Notice of English as a Second Language (ESL)***

***If you know of any student who speaks English as a second language, please contact Three Rivers' District English as a Second Language Department, at 862-3111 ext. 5243.***

***Si usted conoce a un estudiante que hable ingles como Segundo idioma, favor de llamar al Departamento de Ingles Como Segunda Lengua a 862-3111 ext. 5243. Es posible que el estudiante puede apriovechar el servicia del Departamento de Ingles Como Segunda Lengua. Gracias.***

### **PUBLIC LAW 108-446**

Public Law 108-446, also know as the "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act" (IDEA), requires school districts to use an ongoing system to locate, identify and evaluate all children from birth to 21 years, suspected of being eligible for special education services. Three Rivers School District requests public assistance in identifying any developmentally disabled child who is not enrolled or currently receiving special education services. Please contact the District Special Education Office at 862-3111 ext. 5201.

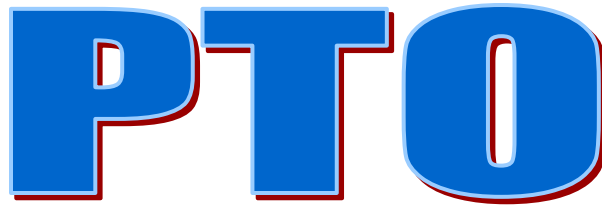
### **Support for Homeless Children**

Three Rivers School District seeks to identify students who are homeless. Homeless individuals are those who due to a lack of permanent housing, live in inadequate or temporary settings, such as;

- Emergency or transitional shelters.
- Motels, hotels, campgrounds.
- Cars, parks, or abandoned buildings
- Doubling up with relatives or friends

If you know of a student who is homeless, please call the district homeless liaison –Peter Maluk at 862-3111 ext. 5207.

<h2>Student Attire</h2> <p>Dressing for success is very important at Fleming. Much of Fleming's academic success stems from students coming to a school with few distractions. Students need to learn the importance of standing out of the crowd for meritorious achievement rather than the style of clothes they are wearing. Our society permits all people to dress in just about any fashion they choose. However, there is a time and place for all forms of dress. School is one place that we believe should be modest and appropriate. Shirts with alcohol and drugs, hairstyles that are bizarre, hair colors that are unnatural, and piercings that cause people to look twice are all disruptive. We have spirit days in which students can go crazy. But then again, their hair and make-up must all be temporary.</p>	<h2>Medication</h2> <p>When your student must take prescription and non-prescription medicine please follow these steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent/guardian must bring in the medication.</li> <li>• The medicine must be in the original container.</li> <li>• Parent/guardian must fill out appropriate forms with instructions/permission for the school to administer the medication.</li> <li>• The parent/guardian must inform the school in writing of any changes in medication instructions.</li> </ul> <p>At no time may a student be in possession of either prescription or non-prescription medication while at school. All medications must be administered through the office. The only exceptions to this policy are students who must have inhalers, insulin, and epinephrine (bee sting) medications with them because of life threatening conditions. The office must be notified if your child is in this category. The District and State discourage parents from asking the schools to dispense non-prescription medication.</p>
<h2>Site Council</h2> <p><b>Parents are encouraged to join Fleming's Site Council for the improvement of school instruction. Fleming's Site Council is currently working on our School Improvement Plan which will be sent to the Department of Education. If you would like to participate in our Site Council or would like to see Fleming preliminary School Improvement Plan then please call the front office and ask to speak to Greg Tardieu.</b></p>	<h2>Fundraising</h2> <p><b>None of our athletic teams is funded by the school district. Student pay a nominal participation fee that offsets the cost of transportation and referees. Uniforms, equipment and facilities improvements are all paid from fundraising. This fall we will have a magazine drive combined with a cookie dough sale. In the winter our PTO is planning an auction night of fun. In the spring we will have our annual Jog-A-Lot fundraiser. These three fundraising activities are where most of the money that provides after school activities comes from. Anything you can do to help us improve our programs is greatly appreciated.</b></p>
<h2>Directory Information</h2> <p>Three Rivers School District holds all information about students as being confidential except "Directory Information." This includes student's legal name, address, electronic address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, photograph, participation in officially recognized activities, dates of attendance, dates entered, awards received, recognition for outstanding service or accomplishments. Directory information will be released upon request to the news media and can be used for student directories, sports programs or activity programs unless otherwise requested. Parent requests to exclude all or part of the directory information must be in writing and directed to the principal.</p>	<h2>Family Advocate</h2> <p>Parents and students,</p> <p>Please look through your closets for GOOD used clothes and shoes that you no longer have a need for. We have many students who can use your help for getting them dressed appropriately for school.</p> <p>Please bring your items to the office. Your help is greatly appreciated.</p> <p>Sandy Stricklan Fleming Family Advocate Advisor</p>



Greetings from Fleming's Parent Teacher Organization.

We would love your help...We know your schedule is very busy and we vow to be respectful of your time constraints.

We have lots of volunteer opportunities that can "custom fit" to work with your availability. You can participate at Fleming knowing that we will take great care to not over burden anyone's schedule.

All are welcome to participate and we sure do appreciate your willingness to assist PTO.

**Everyone is Invited:**

**What:** PTO "Kick Off Meeting"

**When:** Thursday, October 15 @ 6:30 PM (over at 7:30)

**Why:** To make a difference and have some fun while you are at it!

**Where:** Fleming Middle School Library

**Who:** Mom's, Dad's, Grandparents, etc... Anyone with a willingness.

**You can find out about these volunteer opportunities at the meeting**

Magazine Sale	Dance Chaperone	Sporting Events
Auction Planning	Cookie Dough Sale	Classified Staff Appreciation
Ski Trip Sign Up	Teacher Appreciation	Memorial Day Event

Any other ideas you may have.

We hope to see you

Attend the meeting and enter the drawing!

We will give away a goody basket with a highly coveted...

**FLEMING ROGUE SWEATSHIRT**

Fleming Parents Rock!  
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# Sports Page

## Cross Country Schedule

10-1-09	Hedrick @ US Cellular Park, Medford	4:00 Girls 4:30 Boys
10-8-09	All Schools Pre-Conference Hosted by Ruch @ Ruch School	4:30 Girls 5:00 Boys
10-15-09	Scenic @ Expo Park	4:30 Girls 5:00 Boys
10-22-09	SOMSAC District @ Ruch School	4:30 Girls 5:00 Boys
10-29-09	Skyline Meet / New Hope Host @ Valley of the Rogue State Park	2:00 Girls 2:20 Boys

## Volleyball Schedule

10-05-09	Lorna Byrne @ Home	4:00
10-07-09	@ Lincoln Savage	4:00
10-12-09	Rogue River @ Home	4:00
10-14-09	White Mountain @ Home	4:00
10-20-09	@ Hanby	4:30
10-21-09	Lincoln Savage @ Home	4:00

7<sup>th</sup> Grade games will go first on Mondays and Tuesdays, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade games will go first on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

First 2 Games will be played to 25 points, capped at 30 points.

Third game will be played to 15 points, capped at 25 points.

10 minute warm-up period will separate the grade level games

Games typically last *about* 45 minutes, event ending *around* 6:00 PM.

## Fleming Football Schedule

8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE		
10-07-09	@ Hedrick	4:30
10-14-09	White Mountain @ Home	4:00
10-21-09	Eagle Point @ Home	4:00
10-28-09	@ Lincoln Savage	4:00
7 <sup>th</sup> GRADE		
10-12-09	North Grants Pass @ Home	4:00
10-20-09	White Mountain @ Home	4:00
10-22-09	South Grants Pass @ Home	4:00
10-27-09	Lincoln Savage @ Home	4:00

## What Does your Fee Pay for?

We often get questions about what our fees pay for. In a nutshell most of our fees pay for transportation and referees. A simple bus ride to Medford and back can cost upwards of \$300.00, depending on total trip time. Uniforms and equipment really don't get much of this money. Our After School Dances and our PTO have taken on a large part of the cost of athletics. Truth be told, comparing a \$75.00 fee for extra curricular activities which last for up to two months is a real bargain compared to other sports offered around town.

## Pay To Play

The cost of playing in competitive sports in the Three Rivers School district went down \$25.00 for Middle Schoolers this year.

There is no family cap as in the past. However, make no mistake, no child will be turned away from extra curricular activities due to the cost of playing. Fleming has many payment plans and individual fundraisers for helping pay these fees. See Heather Yount—Athletic Director for more payment arrangements.

## Candy Sales

The Girls' Volleyball team just got new uniforms and the boys football team is ordering new jerseys. For this reason we need to sell candy bars to help offset the cost of these new uniforms. Your student athlete will be coming home soon with one box of 50 chocolate bars. Please help us reinforce the importance of keeping these bars in a cool place and to please support our efforts to sell them quickly so we can focus on more important things like improving our athletic abilities. If you have any questions about this fundraiser please contact our athletic secretary, Pam Kudlac.

# Schedules

## Regular Bell Schedule Monday thru Thursday

<u>1st Lunch Schedule</u>	<u>2nd Lunch Schedule</u>
Period 1 8:30-9:25	Period 1 8:30-9:25
Period 2 9:29-10:22	Period 2 9:29-10:22
Period 3 10:29-11:22	Period 3 10:29-11:22
Intramural 11:22-11:47	Period 4 11:26-12:19
Lunch 11:47-12:07	Intramural 12:19-12:44
Period 4 12:11-1:04	Lunch 12:44-1:04
Period 5 1:08-2:00	Period 5 1:08-2:00
Period 6 2:07-3:00	Period 6 2:07-3:00

## Friday Advisory Bell Schedule

<u>1st Lunch Schedule</u>	<u>2nd Lunch Schedule</u>
Advisory 8:30-8:54	Advisory 8:30-8:54
Period 1 8:58-9:47	Period 1 8:58-9:47
Period 2 9:51-10:40	Period 2 9:51-10:40
Period 3 10:46-11:35	Period 3 10:46-11:35
Intramural 11:35-11:59	Period 4 11:39-12:28
Lunch 11:59-12:19	Intramural 12:28-12:52
Period 4 12:23-1:12	Lunch 12:52-1:11:12
Period 5 1:16-2:05	Period 5 1:16-2:05
Period 6 2:11-3:00	Period 6 2:11-3:00

## Two Hour Late Start Bell Schedule

<u>1st Lunch Schedule</u>	<u>2nd Lunch Schedule</u>
Assembly 10:30-11:00	Assembly 10:30-11:00
Period 1 11:04-11:34	Period 1 11:04-11:34
Period 2 11:38-12:08	Period 2 11:38-12:08
Period 3 12:13-12:43	Period 3 12:13-12:43
Intramural 12:43-1:00	Period 4 12:47-1:17
Lunch 1:00-1:17	Intramural 1:17 -1:34
Period 4 1:21-1:51	Lunch 1:34-1:51
Period 5 1:55-2:25	Period 5 1:55-2:25
Period 6 2:30-3:00	Period 6 2:30-3:00

## Activity Bus Schedule

Activity busses run on ALMOST every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday throughout the year. There are some exceptions to this rule so parents must check the Activity Bus schedule to insure that they student will have a late ride home.

### October Activity bus days:

Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.
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6	7	
13	14	15
20	21	22
27		29

## After School Dances

Fleming holds after school dances about once a month. We try to hold them on Thursdays but sometimes we have to move them due to other conflicting after school activities. The proceeds of these dances go toward spirit activities, PBS rewards and a variety of athletic needs. The entrance cost of \$4.00 has not changed in the past 10 years. There may be discounts to students who have "Gold Cards."

## School Records

The school records of your child are open to you. These records may be seen by making an appointment with the Assistant Principal or Principal to explain them. Records of student attendance, learning progress and grades will be transferred to the new school if you should move.

<h2>High Qualified Teachers</h2> <p>All teachers in the state of Oregon are required to be highly qualified in their field of curriculum. You have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher. If you request this information, our school will provide you with the following as soon as possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the teacher has met our state licensing requirements for the grade level and subjects in which the teacher is providing instruction;</li> <li>• If the teacher is teaching under an emergency status for which state licensing requirements have been waived;</li> <li>• The type of college degree major of the teacher and the field of discipline for any grade degree or certificate.</li> </ul>	<h2>Fleming's Web Page</h2> <p>The faculty at Fleming have been working diligently to get their individual class web pages up to speed. The goal is to have every class have a calendar of upcoming assignments available for parents to check in on what is happening in their student's classes. Parents at home and teachers at school working together to better communicate will ultimately benefit our students.</p> <p>Check out Fleming's Web Page at:</p> <p><a href="http://www.threerivers.k12.or.us/SectionIndex.asp?SectionID=128">http://www.threerivers.k12.or.us/SectionIndex.asp?SectionID=128</a></p>
<h2>Oregon Dept. Of Education Champion School</h2> <p><b>The Oregon Department of Education made a video of Fleming last Spring and have now put it on their website. Go to:</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.ode.state.or.us/search/page/?id=2477">http://www.ode.state.or.us/search/page/?id=2477</a></p> <p><b>Check out the other schools that are Champion Schools too. You will see how well Fleming stacks up against the best.</b></p>	<h2>Get Your Pictures in the Yearbook!</h2> <p>Yearbooks are going online. This year you may take photos at school activities and email them to our web page.</p> <p>Log on to: <a href="http://images.jostens.com">images.jostens.com</a>  Enter Login ID: 400004900  Password: flemmingyb  (that's Fleming with two m's)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Click on "Image Share."</li> <li>• Enter information about the photo and provide contact information.</li> <li>• Click "Save Details."</li> </ul> <p>Have fun and thanks for the help making our yearbook even better.</p>
<h2>Student Attendance at After School Sports</h2> <p><b>Most of Fleming's sporting events start at either 4:00 or 4:30 and usually end around 6:30.</b></p> <p><b>There is no after school supervision for student spectators between 3:00 and 4:00. Students who want to watch a game after school need to go home and then return at the time the game begins.</b></p> <p><b>Activity buses leave at 5:15 so students must be responsible to leave the game before it ends if they wish to use the activity bus.</b></p>	<h2>Purchase your Yearbook Early</h2> <p><b><i>Fleming Yearbooks on sale NOW!</i></b>  <b><i>Get your FULL COLOR yearbook for only \$27 if you order by December 31<sup>st</sup> (\$32.00 after December 31<sup>st</sup>). Have your child's name imprinted on their yearbook cover for an additional \$5.00.</i></b></p> <p>You can go to the Fleming Web Page at <a href="http://www.threerivers.k12.or.us">www.threerivers.k12.or.us</a> select Fleming Middle School under the Schools Tab and click on the Yearbook Order link to order using a credit card (secure site) or go online to at <a href="http://www.JostensYearbooks.com">www.JostensYearbooks.com</a></p>





## *Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs*

**Gear Up Activities:** In an effort to encourage students to pursue an education after High School; Gear Up has offered activities to students in the class of 2014.

- A visit to SOU
- An interactive presentation during advisory period
- Men & Women in Trades Fair
- Q & A Table at Family Night

Career investigation through CIS Oregon. <http://oregoncis.uoregon.edu>

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In this economy many families often think the college dream will never be a reality. These websites and the Gear Up program through Fleming Middle School and North Valley High School have a fervent desire to alter this thought through early awareness of resources and planning.

<http://gearup.ous.edu> What Gear Up can do for you!

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) Through a student profile: College & Scholarship search, Study for the PSAT and SAT (Information for parents too!)

[www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov) Estimating what Free Money is available to your student through Federal Grants and Understanding Student Financial Aid

[www.nela.net](http://www.nela.net) , [www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org) , [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov) Understanding Financial Aid terms, etc.

[www.ncaaclerghouse.net](http://www.ncaaclerghouse.net) For students that will go on to play sports at the college level

Material has been sent home with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. It is our hope that you will discuss these opportunities with your student. It is never too early to start planning for the future!

## **MyAccess!**

MyAccess! Is new Online Program that Fleming has purchased for all of our 6th and 7th grade students.

This online program helps students with their writing skills. What is best about this program is that student may now work on their essays at home and get additional help online. Parents will be impressed by the capabilities of this new software. Fleming is one of three schools in Oregon piloting this program right now and if it can improve writing scores by providing more practice we believe this could become another tool provided to all Three Rivers Students.

# LUNCH MENU

## WEEK ONE

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
1. Teriyaki Beef Rice Bowl	Big Taco	Pasta w/ Alfredo Sauce	Chicken Nuggets	Rib-B-Q Sandwich
2. Corn Dog	Super Nachos	Quesadilla	Weiner Wrap	Fishwich
3. Chicken Burger	Spicy Chicken	Hamburger	Spicy Chicken	Chicken Burger
4. Hamburger	Cheese Burger	Chicken Burger	Cheese Burger	Hamburger
5. Pepperoni Pizza	Cheese Pizza	Italian Griller	Cheese Pizza	Pepperoni Pizza
6. Cheese Pizza	Taco Pizza	Hawaiian Pizza	Cheese Pizza	
7. Vegetarian Pizza	Sausage/Pepperoni		Combination Pizza	All Meat Pizza
8. <u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>
Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese
Classic	Italian	Ham/Cheese	Italian	Spicy Chicken Wrap
Veggie	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie
9. <u>Grab-N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab- N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab- N-Go Salads</u>
Garden or	Garden or	Garden or	Garden or	Garden or
Mandarin Chicken	Anti Pasta	Chef	Garden Chicken	Anti Pasta

# LUNCH MENU

## WEEK TWO

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
1. Sweet/Sour Chicken Rice Bowl	Bean and Cheese Burrito	Pasta w/Marinara or meat sauce	Chicken Strips	Rib-B-Q Sandwich
2. Hot Dog	Super Nachos	Quesadilla	Weiner Wrap	Fishwich
3. Chicken Burger	Spicy Chicken	Hamburger	Spicy Chicken	Chicken Burger
4. Hamburger	Cheese Burger	Chicken Burger	Cheese Burger	Hamburger
5. Pepperoni Pizza	Cheese Pizza	Italian Griller	Cheese Pizza	Pepperoni Pizza
6. Cheese Pizza	Taco Pizza		Hawaiian Pizza	Cheese Pizza
7. Vegetarian Pizza	Sausage/Pepperoni		Combination Pizza	All Meat Pizza
8. <u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Sands</u>
Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese	Turkey/Cheese
Classic	Italian	Ham/Cheese	Italian	Spicy Chicken Wrap
Veggie	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie
9. <u>Grab-N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab- N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab-N-Go Salads</u>	<u>Grab- N-Go Salads</u>
Garden or	Garden or	Garden or	Garden or	Garden or
Mandarin Chicken	Anti Pasta	Chef	Garden Chicken	Anti Pasta

Offered with Energy Download Entrée Selections are a variety of side items including fresh vegetables, fresh or canned fruit and your choice of 1% milk or non-fat chocolate milk. Each reimbursement meal must include a choice of entrée and side item.