



Three Rivers School District
SCHOOL NUTRITION SERVICE
'Healthy Children Ready To Learn'

FEBRUARY 2009 NEWS UPDATE



PROGRAM SALES UPDATE -

January was a good month for program participation. Lunch participation was 2393 meals over budget while breakfast participation was 1064 over budget. Catering continues to struggle as the economy and cuts in spending have been experienced. Snack and supper meal counts are holding right at budget and we continue to look for opportunities for more service points. We are moving toward a supper program for the students at Illinois Valley High School and away from the snack program. This will offer a more nutritional meal and larger variety of items to our students in the valley.

SAFETY UPDATE -

As a continued focus on Safety, Food Service Staff reviews 5 minutes safety topics each month. Below are our topics for March:

This month, as part of the monthly Kitchen Manager Meetings our training agenda is:

- Clean up Safety - Proper cleaning methods for a safe work environment.
- Washing Pots and Pans - Six simple steps for proper manual warewashing.
- Fire Extinguishers - Rules for use of fire extinguishers.
- Wiping Cloths - Proper methods for use of cloths for cleaning food contact surfaces in the kitchen to ensure a clean, healthy environment.



We will continue this school year with staff awareness, increased focus and informative training throughout the school year. Food and Nutrition Services continues to provide a safe working environment in all our schools as well as incorporating safe work place practices district wide by keeping SAFETY top of mind!

PEANUT BUTTER RECALL -

The Food and Nutrition Services Department at Three Rivers School District has been tracking the peanut butter recall and researching all items that we have purchased. We have not purchased anything with peanut butter/additives nor have we had any peanut butter other than USDA commodity product. We have been assured from the Oregon Department of Education that the commodity peanut butter that we received is not on the recall list.

In addition, with all the past concerns regarding peanut butter and allergic reactions throughout the country, we are moving toward a peanut free environment in our program which started in September, 2008. All schools have been instructed to use the remaining commodity product in their inventory and discontinue purchasing of this product. We are sure that there is no issue with our district on this recall.

STOP HUNGER SCHOLARSHIPS

Tell your professional network and family & friends about the \$5,000 scholarships! Applications must be received by February 27, 2009.



-- [Sodexo Foundation](#)



-- [Sodexo Foundation group](#)



-- [STOP Hunger eZine](#)

As you know I work for Sodexo. Our Foundation (<http://www.sodexofoundation.org/>), committed to fighting hunger and poverty, is currently accepting applications for its STOP Hunger Scholarship program - giving \$5,000 scholarships to students in K - grad school who are fighting hunger in their community. If you know of someone doing great things to fight hunger, encourage them to apply between Jan. 1 and Feb. 27. In addition, the Sodexo Foundation is providing a matching \$5,000 grant to the winners' designated charity. Visit www.SodexoFoundation.org to learn more. Access key: SDXF is needed to submit an application.

Thank you for sharing this information and helping students to STOP Hunger.

UPCOMING EVENTS -

In a continued effort to educate students, staff and the community, we encourage you to visit one of the upcoming events in our district:



March 4th, 2009 at Madrona Elementary
March 16th, 2008 at Fort Vannoy Elementary
March 18th, 2008 at Fruitdale Elementary
April 15th, 2009 - Farm to Market - Fruitdale Elementary



Come join us for one of these great events!

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF
THE SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM!



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