

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

APRIL 2009 NEWS UPDATE



PROGRAM SALES UPDATE -

March numbers are in. Participation held right at budget for both breakfast and lunch participation. Our focus has been increasing breakfast participation in all locations as this has been our greatest opportunity. Breakfast with the Principal has assisted us in increasing student participation at breakfast by 11% in the three schools that offer this program. Catering continues to struggle as the economy and cuts in spending have been experienced. Snack counts are lower than budget as we move these programs to a supper format.

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:

- Safe Off Site Service Proper methods for transportation, set up and serving of food products in remote sites.
- What are Blood Bourne Pathogens A preventative control plan in the event of exposure to blood.
- Work Place Violence Recognition of volatile situations that could cause workplace rage.
- Fryer Safety- Safe working practices for use of fryers in the kitchen.

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!



ILLINOIS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL SUPPER PROGRAM -

The Food and Nutrition Services Department at Three Rivers School District has finally started the supper program at IVHS. We have developed a menu that meets the nutritional requirements of the students and started on Monday, April 6th, 2009. This program offers heartier meals to all students in the program four days a week. We are excited about the opportunity to offer meals to athletic program or any other educationally enriched program that may operate at IVHS. This program is sponsored by Boys and Girls Club of the Rogue Valley, produced out of our Illinois Valley High School kitchen and funded by the Oregon Department of Education through the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

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:



May 6th, 2009 at Madrona Elementary

May 18th, 2009 at Fort Vannoy Elementary

May 27th, 2009 at Fruitdale Elementary

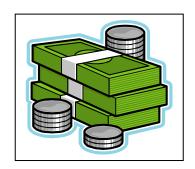
April 15th, 2009 - Farm to Market - Fruitdale Elementary

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Come join us for one of these great events!

STIMULUS FUNDING -

We have identified equipment in all of our Three Rivers schools that are in need of upgrade/replacement. With the assistance of the Maintenance leads, we have electrical specifications, size and dimensions of all existing equipment as well as cost for replacement. With this potential equipment finance package, we may be able to replace some of out failing equipment at no cost to the Three Rivers School District or Food and Nutrition Services Program.



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



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