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The month of October we have been working on updating our menu items by imputing the nutritionals on all of our food items that we serve. We have to enter all the nutritional facts into our NutiKids program so that we know how many calories, how much sodium, how many carbs, sugars and fats are in each item. We have to update every year for any new products that we may be adding to our menus and to make sure that nothing has changed from previous nutritional imputs.

We have also taken in both of our big food deliveries and by big we had 22 pallets on one truck and 16 pallets one week later on our USDA truck for a total weight of 31,248.68 pounds. We have to put all the frozen items in by hand trucks and then we rearrange all the dry goods with the fork lift and some down stacking by hand. Also we take in about 12 pallets or about 5,000 to 6,000 pounds every Thursday.

We deliver the food to the schools on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We start building pallets for our deliveries the day before and finish them the morning that we deliver to the schools. We deliver three schools each day. I (Russ) have been making some of the produce deliveries in the van each Monday to six of the schools.

We are also in the process of verifying free and reduced applications. We send letters to about 35 families, and they have to send in their last pay check stub so that we can verify their incomes to make sure that they are receiving the correct food benefit of either free, reduce or paid. We do this yearly from October 1st thru November 15th.

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Claims;

- So far this year our breakfast numbers are down but that is because of Heyburn and Paul Elementary schools not doing classroom breakfast. Our breakfast numbers are 43,106 served last year and 33,260 served this year. We were averaging 450 served breakfast meals a day at Paul and Heyburn last year. This year we are averaging 248 meals at Heyburn and 202 meals at Paul.
- Our lunch program numbers are up this year. We served 52,186 lunch meals this October and 51,514 meals last year. That is a total difference of 672 meals. With the Friday lunch being open campus for all students at Minico, it hurts our numbers out there.
- Our total claim for October 2017 will be \$178,215.40 compared to \$189,698.20 last year. You can see the difference that not having those two classroom breakfasts makes for us.

Projects;

- We have been moving forward with the freezer and cooler box expansion at Minico High. I believe that we have gotten all the information back from the architects and I hope we can finally get moving forward with this project.
- The warehouse project has been kind of put on hold at this time but we should be able to start moving forward with this project as well in the near future.