

## FOOD SERVICE REPORT

3/16/26

The district's current negative meal balances total **\$20,106.82**. The breakdown by site is as follows: Acequia Elementary (\$290.47), East Minico (\$241.04), Heyburn Elementary (\$980.35), Minico High School (\$12,634.17), Minidoka Junior High (\$2.15), Mt. Harrison (\$2,511.56), Rupert Elementary (\$2,443.55), and West Minico (\$1,003.53). We are continuing our search for a permanent manager at Minico High School. In the interim, we have received positive feedback that both the quality and presentation of the food have improved. Participation has begun to increase, and we have already seen the district's negative balance decrease by nearly \$3,000.

During the month of February, the Nutrition Department served **11,775 breakfasts** and **32,125 lunches** to students across the district. The department received **\$138,893.03** in reimbursements for breakfast and lunch service, **\$21,345.00** through the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP), and **\$5,118.79** from our Afterschool At-Risk Program and daycare services. These programs continue to play an important role in supporting student nutrition and helping ensure students are ready to learn each day.

We are also continuing to move forward with establishing our **district food pantry in partnership with the Idaho Food Bank**. I am currently completing the required training and administrative background checks as part of the onboarding process. We are excited about this opportunity to provide additional food support to families in our district and look forward to getting the pantry operational in the near future.

In addition, we are preparing for the upcoming **Summer Feeding Program** and are hopeful that the improvements and planning for this year will lead to a more successful program. Looking ahead, applications for the **Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)** will open in April. If approved, CEP would allow us to provide free school meals to all students in the district, helping reduce financial burdens on families while ensuring every child has access to nutritious meals.