

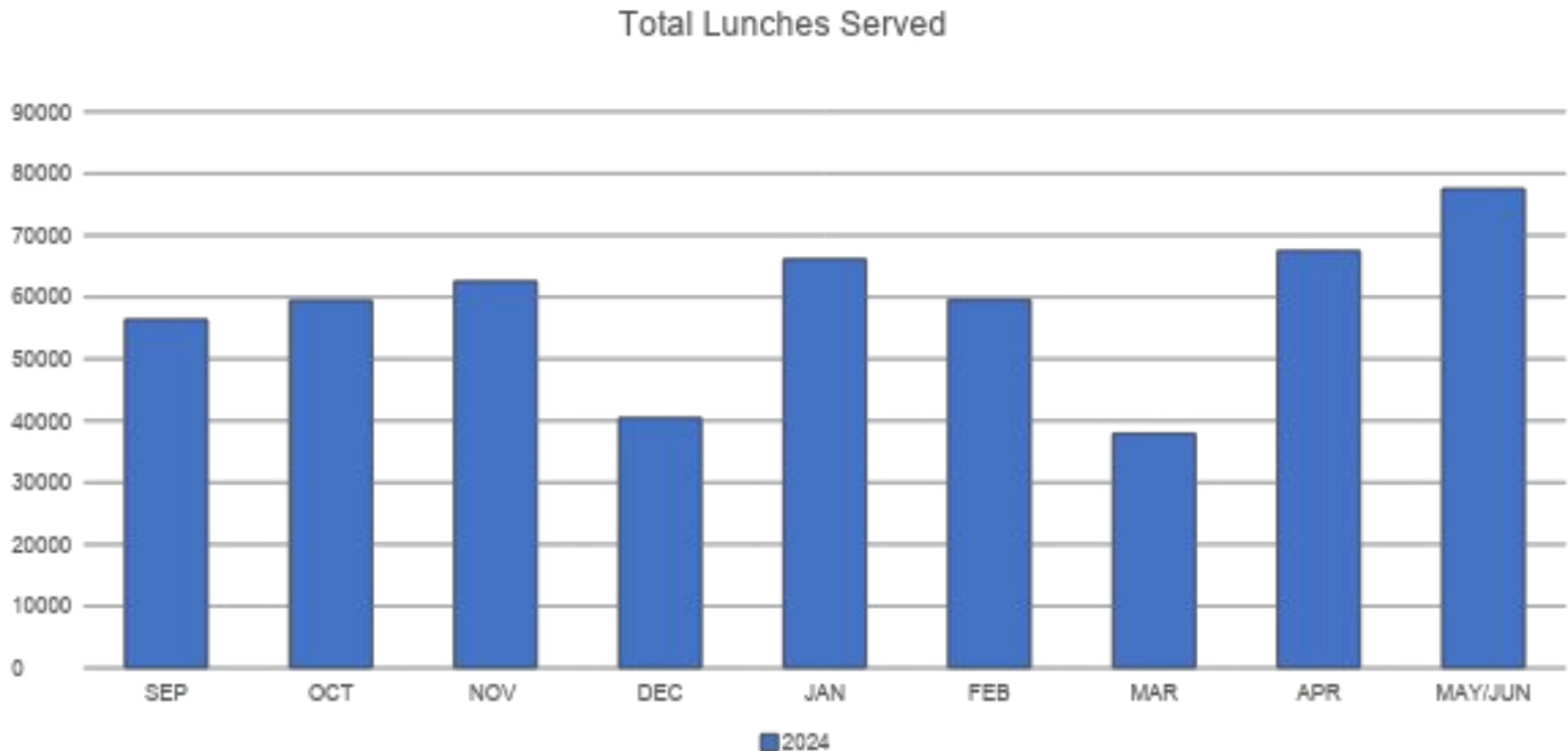
Board Spotlight - Food Service

Nate Huff, Food Service Director



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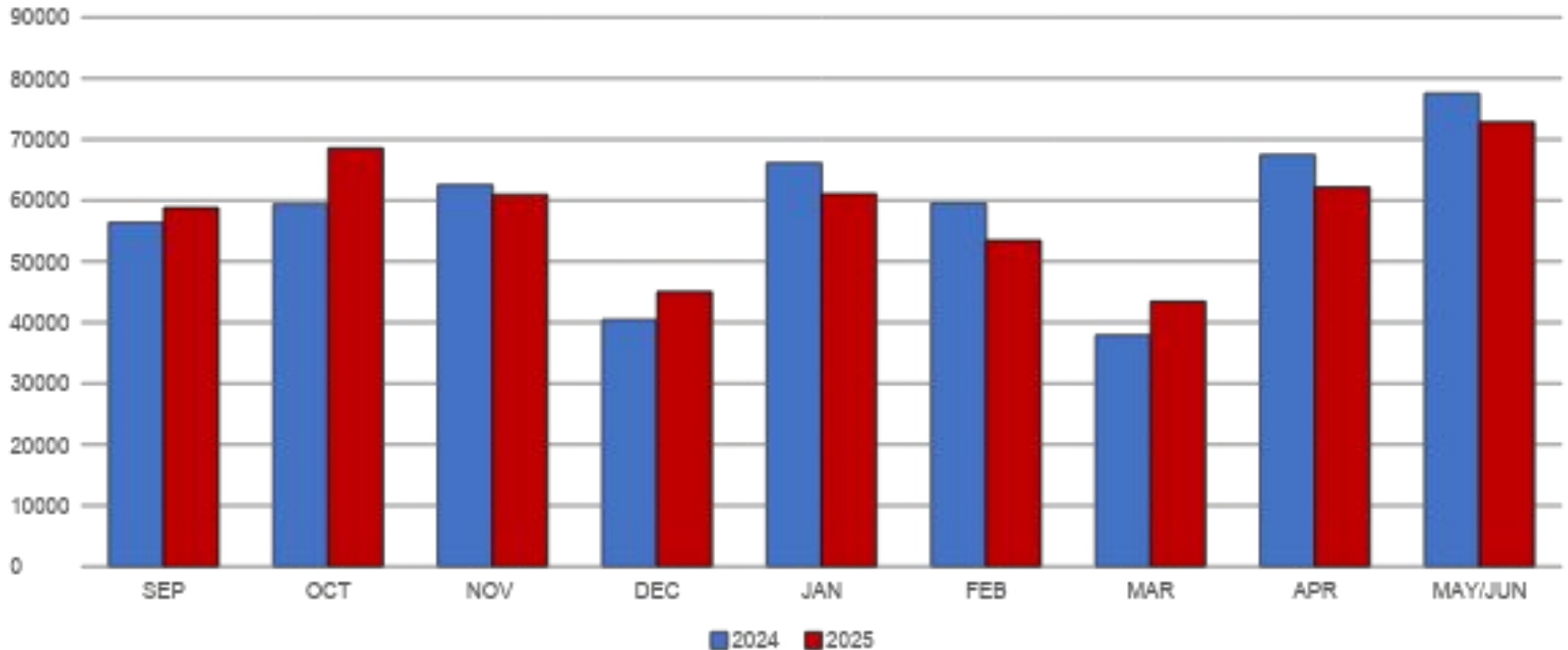
Lunches Served 2024



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Lunches Served 2025

Total Lunches Served



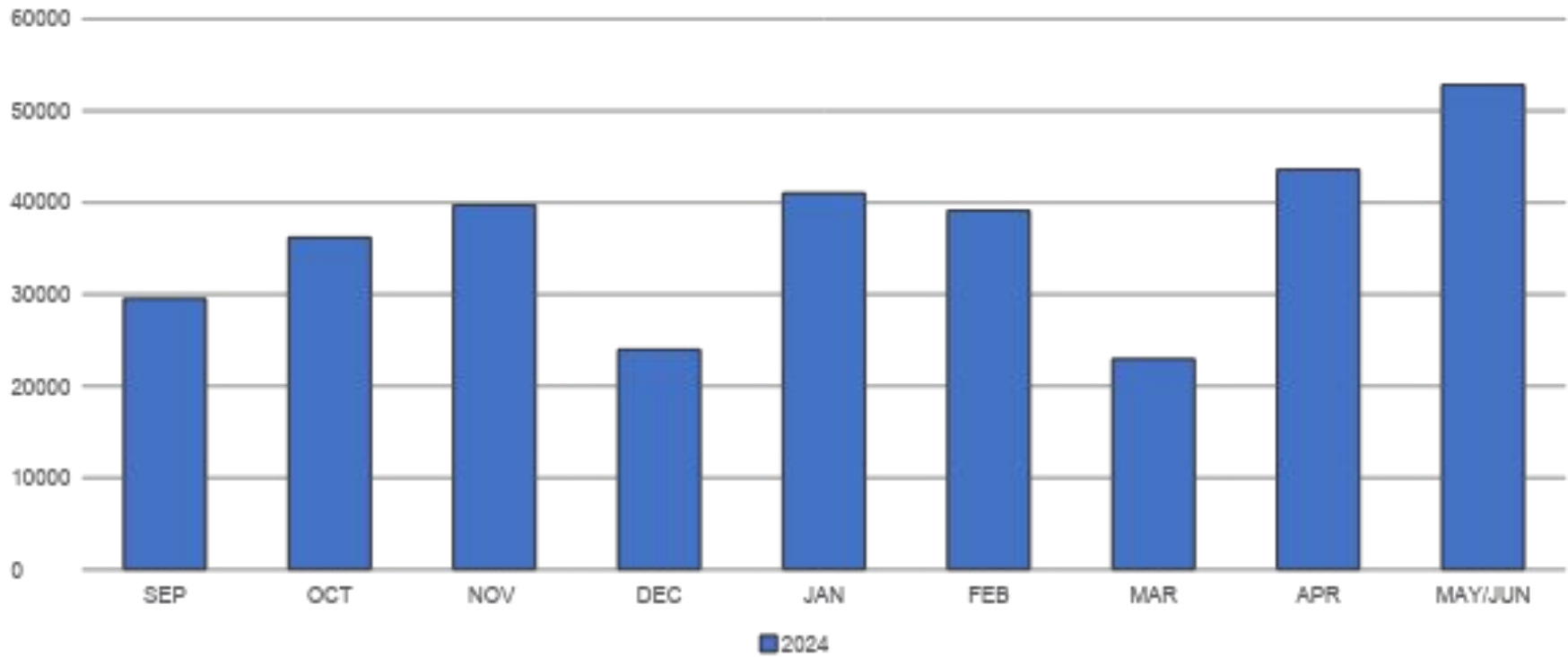
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Lunch Comparison

- 2024 - 527,421 lunches served
- 2025 – 526,837 lunches served

Breakfast Served 2024

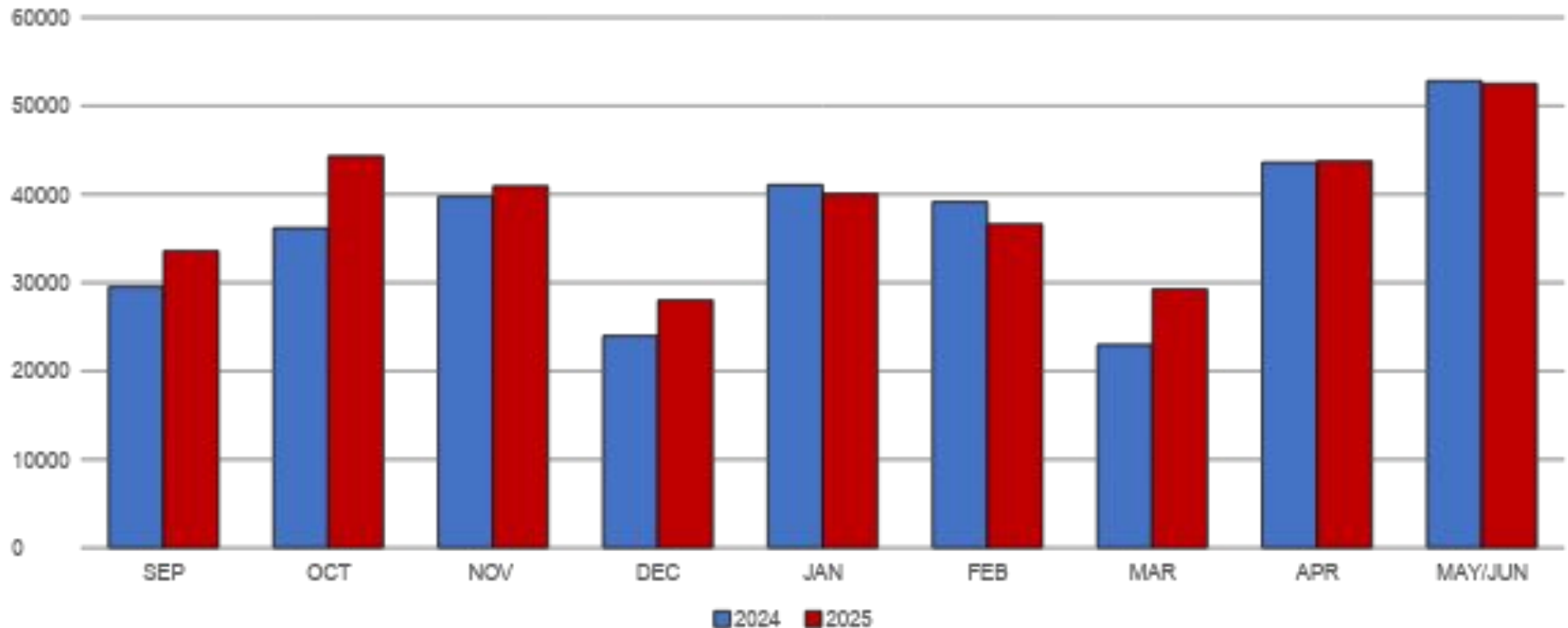
Total Breakfast Served



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Breakfast Served 2025

Total Breakfast Served



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Breakfast Comparison

- 2024 – 329,048 breakfasts served
- 2025 – 349,117 breakfasts served
- Roughly 6% increase

Brief Program History

- Last big overhaul to the program was the Healthy and Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010.
- Well intentioned, but a challenging implementation to say the least
- Past 10 years or so has been a measured, gradual achieving of nutritional targets

Potential changes

FOOD FIX

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RFK Jr. says 'major, dramatic' changes are coming for school meals

The Trump administration is racing to completely overhaul the U.S. government's official nutrition advice, in part to force changes to school meals, per RFK Jr.

MAY 2, 2025

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Proposed Changes

- Two pronged approach:
 - Reduction/elimination of artificial food dyes and colorings
 - Reduction of “ultra-processed” foods

Food Dyes and Colorings

- More natural colorings have been available for a while, but the US has been slow to adopt
- Double standard with Europe has been an area of passionate debate

US vs EU

U.S. Version 



Ingredients: Tomato Concentrate, Distilled Vinegar, High Fructose Corn Syrup, Corn Syrup, Salt, Spice, Onion Powder, Natural Flavoring.

U.K. Version 



Ingredients: Tomatoes, Spirit Vinegar, Sugar, Salt, Spice and Herb Extracts, Spice.

FOOD BABE

U.S. Version 



Ingredients: Carbonated Water, High Fructose Corn Syrup, Concentrated Orange Juice, Citric Acid, Natural Flavor, Sodium Benzoate, Caffeine, Sodium Citrate, Erythorbic Acid, Gum Arabic, Calcium Disodium EDTA, Brominated Vegetable Oil, Yellow 5.

U.K. Version 



Ingredients: Carbonated Water, Sugar, Citric Acid, Ascorbic Acid, Caffeine, Flavourings, Potassium Sorbate, Gum Arabic, Colour (Beta Carotene).

FOOD BABE

U.S. Version 



Ingredients: Whole Grain Rolled Oats, Sugar, Creaming Agent (Maltodextrin, Sunflower And Palm Oils, Whey, Sodium Caseinate), Flavored And Colored Fruit Pieces (Dehydrated Apples [Treated With Sodium Sulfite], Artificial Strawberry Flavor, Citric Acid, Red 40), Salt, Guar Gum, Artificial Flavor, Citric Acid, Niacinamide, Vitamin A Palmitate, Reduced Iron, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride, Riboflavin, Thiamin Mononitrate, Folic Acid.

U.K. Version 



Ingredients: Quaker Wholegrain Rolled Oats, Sugar, Freeze Dried Raspberry Pieces, Freeze Dried Strawberry Pieces, Natural Flavouring.

FOOD BABE

U.S. Version 



Ingredients: Corn, Vegetable Oil (Corn, Canola, And/or Sunflower Oil), Maltodextrin, Salt, Tomato Powder, Corn Starch, Lactose, Whey, Skim Milk, Corn Syrup Solids, Onion Powder, Sugar, Garlic Powder, Monosodium Glutamate, Cheddar Cheese (Milk, Cheese Cultures, Salt, Enzymes), Dextrose, Malic Acid, Buttermilk, Natural And Artificial Flavors, Sodium Acetate, Artificial Color (Red 40, Blue 1, Yellow 5), Sodium Caseinate, Spice, Citric Acid.

U.K. Version 



Ingredients: Corn, Vegetable Oils (Sunflower, Rapeseed), Cool Original Flavour, Salt, Glucose Syrup, Sugar, Potassium Chloride, Cheese Powder, Flavour Enhancers (Monosodium Glutamate, Disodium 5'-Ribonucleotide), Acidity Regulators (Malic Acid, Sodium Acetate, Citric Acid), Colour (Annatto), Milk Proteins, Spice.

U.S. Version 



Ingredients: Milk Chocolate [Sugar; Milk; Cocoa Butter; Chocolate; Milk Fat; Nonfat Milk; Lecithin (Soy); Natural and Artificial Flavor]; Sugar; Corn Syrup; High Fructose Corn Syrup; Artificial Color [Yellow 6]; Artificial Flavor; Cocoa Butter; Sun White.

U.K. Version 



Ingredients: Sugar, Milk, Glucose Syrup, Cocoa Butter, Invert Sugar Syrup, Dried Whey, Cocoa Mass, Vegetable Fats (Palm, Shea), Ammonium Phosphatides, Dried Egg White, Flavourings, Colour (Paprika Extract).

U.S. Version 



Ingredients: Water, High Fructose Corn Syrup, Concentrated Juice (Orange, Tangerine, Apple, Lime, Grapefruit, Pear), Citric Acid, Vitamins C and B1, Natural Flavors, Modified Cornstarch, Canola Oil, Sodium Citrate, Cellulose Gum, Sucralose, Sodium Hexametaphosphate, Potassium

U.K. Version 



Ingredients: Water, Fruit Juice from Concentrate (Orange, Mandarin, Red Grapefruit, Lime), Sugar, Citric Acid, Acacia Gum, Vitamin C, E, A and D, Guar Gum, Natural Orange Flavourings, Sucralose.

Early progress

Tuesday, June 17, 2025 7:00 AM

Kraft Heinz Commits to Remove FD&C Colors From Its U.S. Portfolio Before the End of 2027 and Will Not Launch New Products in the U.S. With FD&C Colors, Effective Immediately

RETAIL

General Mills to remove artificial colors from all its U.S. cereals and foods

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Processed food

✦ AI Overview

Processed foods are foods that have undergone some form of alteration from their natural state. This can include processes such as:

- **Cleaning and washing:** Removing dirt, bacteria, or other contaminants.
- **Cutting, chopping, or grinding:** Altering the size or shape of the food.
- **Cooking, heating, or pasteurizing:** Preserving the food or making it edible.
- **Adding ingredients:** Such as preservatives, sweeteners, flavors, or nutrients.
- **Packaging:** Sealing or covering the food for storage or transport.

Processed foods can range from minimally processed (e.g., frozen vegetables) to highly processed (e.g., instant noodles). While some processed foods can be part of a healthy diet, others may contain high levels of unhealthy ingredients such as sodium, sugar, and unhealthy fats.

DGA Timeline

- School nutrition standards are based off of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, renewed every 5 years.
- 10th edition DGA will be released December 2025, jointly issued by HHS and USDA

MDE Audit

- In addition to any program changes, we are happy to be hosting MDE for a thorough review of the Food Service Program in the fall
- Very thankful as always for our great staff and wonderful building support!

Thanks!

- Happy to address and questions or concerns regarding food service!