

CCSD School Board Report
Food Service Department Updates
(Semester 1 of 2024-2025 School Year)

This year is just flying by. Our new hire Sara Yates has caught on very fast and truly is an asset to our kitchen crew! Moving Alan to the high school was truly a blessing. He has done phenomenal this year for our NSLP audit. We have an audit every 3 years. I have submitted all the documentation that was requested by CN Resource on November 22, 2024. Our in person scheduled audit day is January 7, 2025. Robin Tinnelle will be on site to monitor our daily breakfast and lunch program, to make sure we are following all the guidelines for the National School Lunch Program. I am looking forward to them coming. There are so many rules and regulations to this job that it is nice to have someone come and review your program to make sure you are not forgetting or overlooking anything.

I have been closely watching our ordering of supplies and food, as I know we are tight on funds right now. This year we are not offering the salad bar to the middle school or elementary school. All food prices have drastically gone up in the last few years. Providing the extra food on the salad bars is unfortunately not in our budget this year. Hopefully, when food and commodity processes go down, we can bring back the salad bar to the middle school and elementary. I know the kids really enjoy having the extra fresh vegetables daily.

The only thing this year that has been tough on us is the dishwasher at the high school. We have been hand washing or bringing dishes down to elementary to put through the dishwasher. Also, we have been using paper trays every day to feed kids. These trays are expensive but having Alan work more than 30 hours a week would cost more, then we would have to give him benefits. I wish the dishwasher I asked for in the beginning was the one that was ordered. I just needed a basic, no-frills dishwasher.

Thank you for your support.

Kristine Cervera
Head Cook