



River Trails

SCHOOL DISTRICT 26

Recognition and Thanks

To

Jill Kersten, Director of Food Service

June, 2025

Jill Kersten, Director of Food Service



Leadership

- **Vision for Program**
- **Budgeting**
 - DoD Fresh Fruit Program, \$15,000
- **Communication**
- **Respond to Concerns**
- **Indian Grove Breakfast**
 - Reinstating next year
- **Staff Management**
 - Regularly praises team for their accomplishments
 - Encourages development
 - Foster's a team culture
 - Compliance regulations



Menu Planning

- **Student Centered Menu**
 - Wanting to offer things kids eat
 - Refreshed PK Snack Program
- **Meal Testing**
 - Sample new breakfast and lunch items
- **Meal Marketing**
 - Enhanced Menu Clarity
 - Easy to see allergen symbols
- **Salads for Staff**



Taste Testing



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Staff Salad Options




Marketing



PRAIRIE TRAILS PRE-K MENU	
SNACKS	
WINTER / SPRING 2025	
WEEK A	WEEK B
MONDAY WHOLE GRAIN TORTILLA CHIPS WITH SAUSA TUESDAY WHOLE GRAIN LOW SUGAR CEREAL BOWL WITH MILK AND FRESH FRUIT WEDNESDAY WHOLE GRAIN PRETZELS WITH CHEESE CUBES AND 100% VEGGIE/FRUIT JUICE BOX THURSDAY NO SCHOOL FRIDAY WHOLE GRAIN GRAHAM CRACKERS WITH LOW FAT VANILLA YOGURT AND FRUIT	MONDAY MULTIGRAIN SUNCHIPS WITH FRESH FRUIT TUESDAY MINI-BAGELS WITH STRAWBERRY CREAM CHEESE AND FRESH VEGETABLES WEDNESDAY WHOLE GRAIN LWEAT CRACKERS WITH STRING CHEESE AND FRESH VEGETABLES THURSDAY NO SCHOOL FRIDAY WHOLE GRAIN GIANT VANILLA GOLDFISH GRAHAM CRACKERS WITH 100% JUICE SLUSHIE
ALLERGEN GUIDE: WHEAT MILK SOY	

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Week A: MON






Nacho Bar with Taco Beef & Beans




Week A: TUE






Hamburger or Cheeseburger with JonnyPop




Week A: WED






Orange Chicken with Vegetable Brown Rice




Week A: THU






French Toast with Chicken Sausage & Applesauce




Week A: FRI






Grilled Cheese with Sun Chips & Sidekick




Daily Options






Turkey and Cheese Deli Sandwich on Whole Wheat Bun




Week B: MON





Chicken Tenders with Dipping Sauce & Cornbread




Week B: TUE






100% Beef Hotdog & Fries




Week B: WED






Pasta & Bosco Stick with Beef or Marinara Sauce




Week B: THU






Pancakes with Turkey Sausage & Scrambled Eggs






Week B: FRI



Individual Cheese Pizza with Sidekick



Picnic Pack: PB&J Uncrustable, Pretzels, & String Cheese



Allergen Guide

EGG

WHEAT

PEANUT

SOY

SESAME

WHEAT

Menu items may occasionally change due to ingredient availability. Students with severe food allergies should always check with the school nurse or food service staff before consuming school meals.



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Marketing



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Community Engagement

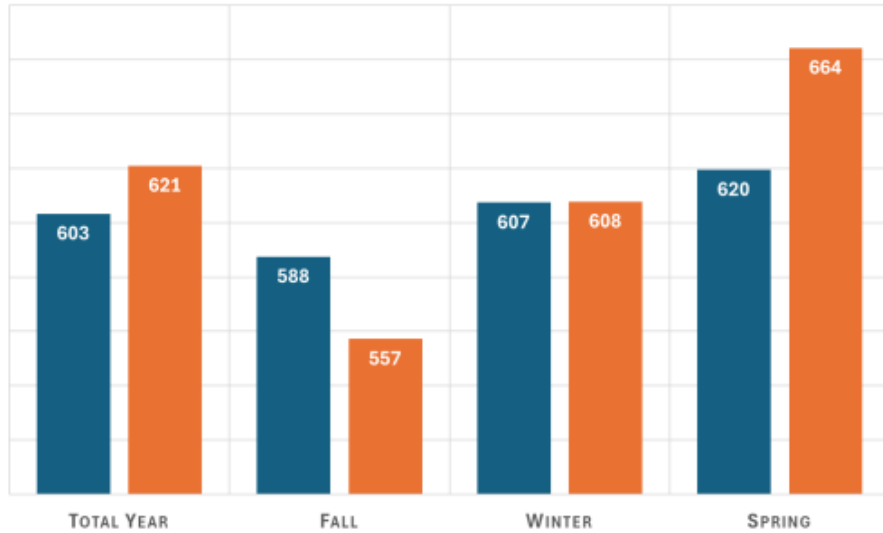
- **Themed days**
 - Chinese New Year (3,000 dumplings)
 - Cinco de Mayo (340 lunches served)
- **Partnerships**
 - Jiaozi Fest, Chinese New Year (3,000 dumplings)
 - Fuel Up Day
 - RTMS Brew Crew
 - Veteran's Day
 - 8th Grade Awards Breakfast
- **District Catering**
 - Cookies!



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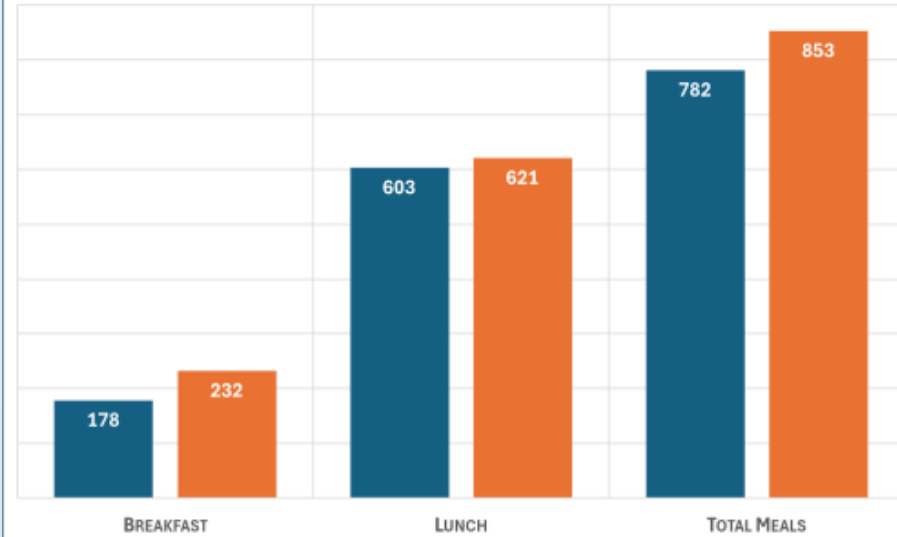
AVERAGE DAILY LUNCHES SERVED

■ SY23-24 ■ SY24-25



AVERAGE DAILY MEALS SERVED

■ SY23-24 ■ SY24-25



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SCHOOL DISTRICT FAMILY.

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