



To: Board of Education

From: Chris Simpson

Re: February Food Service Board Report

Date: 2/5/2026



Welcome to February! I cannot believe that we are already here and there are only a few short months left of this school year! It's going so fast. This week we launched our Bloom into Breakfast campaign! We featured a Southwest Breakfast Bowl at the secondary level for lunch on Tuesday 2/3. It featured scrambled eggs, home-fried potatoes, peppers, onions, cheese, and salsa! It wasn't as popular as we were hoping it would be, but we will give it another try before we retire it completely. Our elementary students celebrated Tater Tot day at lunch on Monday 2/2 to kick off their Bloom into Breakfast campaign featuring a Biscuit, Egg, and Potato Bowl all covered in country gravy! One of the surprises of the campaign so far was at CHS. On Wednesday, 2/4, we featured Banana Chocolate Overnight Oats for the first time at breakfast. We prepared 13 servings and all of them went! We are going to increase our offering of this item to see what other flavors the kids might be interested in!

Another cool thing that we have been doing at CHS in particular is working on expanding our meat-less meal options. A few weeks back, we offered plant-based chicken nuggets on our grill station. We started small, and only prepared 5, and they were all gone before the end of 1st lunch! We have worked to include them on our menu daily, as long as we can keep them in stock! The students seem excited to have a new vegetarian offering. We are looking at other things we can bring in as well, such as regularly offering black bean burgers! I will update you after we begin that!

February holds one of my favorite food service events of the year, which is heart-shaped personal pizzas for CHS and BMS on Friday, February 13th. My team will be busy hand shaping over 500 round pizza dough discs into heart shapes, then assembling and baking them all! I will be sure to include pictures in my next report!

Staffing:

- James has slotted into our team nicely. He isn't afraid to help out in the kitchen in between deliveries! I am thankful to have him on our team!

Financials:

- The Senior Center ran through January with a sales volume of about \$13,000.
- Participation remains steady at around 60% throughout the district for our breakfast and lunch programs!

Respectfully,

Chris Simpson, Director of Food Services
Chelsea School District