

VICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Food Service Food & Nutrition Report

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Our Mission

To share the vision of healthy children
so that every student is able to reach
his/her full potential with the ability to
make healthy choices at an
economical cost.

Food for Thought

TO: CHARLES GLAES & THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM: MAUREEN OUVRY
DATE: NOVEMBER 9, 2015
RE: **FOOD & NUTRITION REPORT**

The assistance that Food Service is able to provide to our students is both fundamental and indispensable. While finances can be a bit of a balancing act for many households, the school meals program continued to be vital as we served over 300,000 nourishing meals during the year! Promoting a healthy eating lifestyle, school meals continue to be fresh, economical, and value packed!

Federal regulations have had an impact on our program again this year. The positive outcome is that our students are consuming more fruits, vegetables, whole grains and other healthy options. However, our program has also experienced an overall decrease in participation in the school lunch program when compared with the previous school year. Decreases were more common within the paid meal category compared to the free or reduced price categories, which mirror national participation trends. During the 2014-2015 school year we experienced a 3% decrease in school lunch participation. The school breakfast program had a slight increase in participation.

Among other findings, since the new regulations began, we have experienced an increase in the average cost to produce a school lunch. An increase in per-meal costs for the fruit, vegetable, entrée and grain components of the meal is evident. Fruits and vegetables are clearly identified as the meal components that have increased the most. The best way to offset these increased costs to our program is to better utilize USDA foods (commodities). With lower student participation last year, we received fewer commodities. With these changes we are reminded that the commodity consortiums are critical to our success. We are active in our purchase of commodity items.

The implementation of the new Great Start Readiness Programs had a direct effect at all three elementary locations. This provided us the opportunity to provide breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack to an additional 45 students. These students have been determined to be "At Risk" and therefore qualify for free school meals. This provided an enhancement in our grant money for the school year.

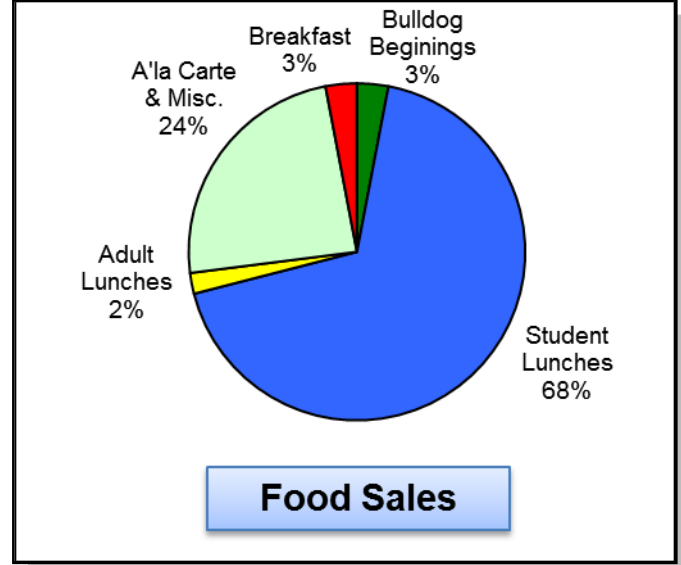
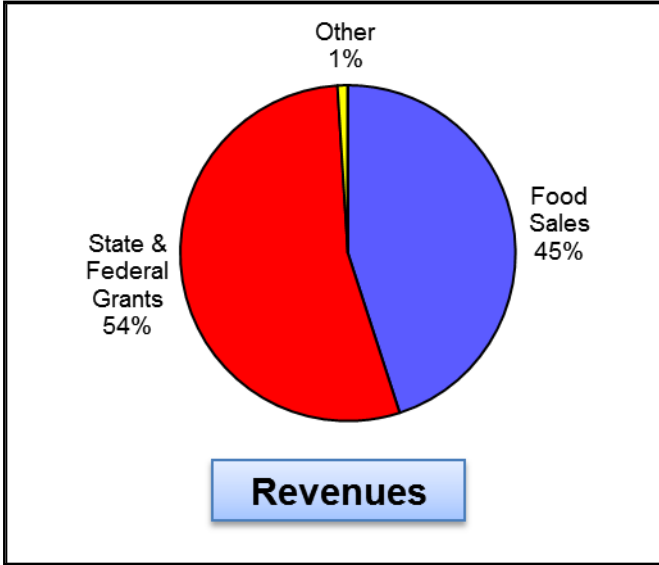
New Professional Development regulations for all Food Service employees took effect with the 2015-2016 school year. All staff are required to receive 4 hours of professional development annually, while Kitchen Managers are required to receive 6 hours of training. They have the opportunity for credits through attendance at Kalamazoo Area School Nutrition Association meetings and conference attendance. The success of this program has been demonstrated time and again through the exceptional performance of our staff. An impressive 100% of our staff participates and brings the benefits into their work environment.

We remain focused on healthy children that are ready to learn.

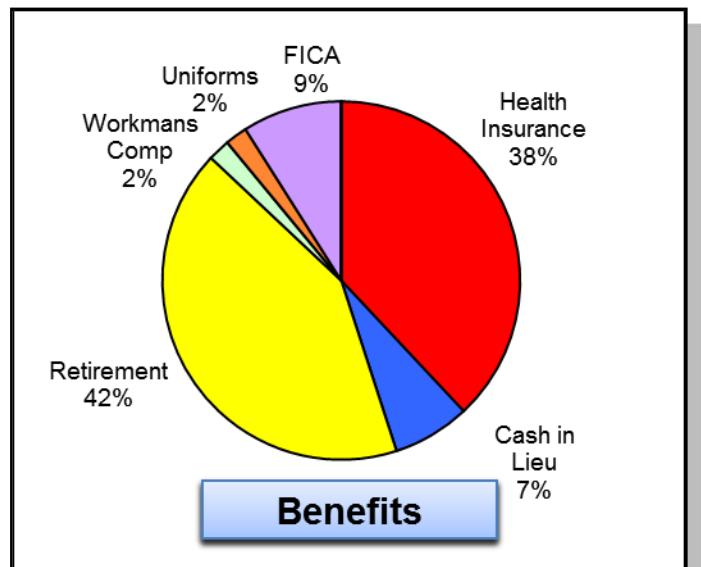
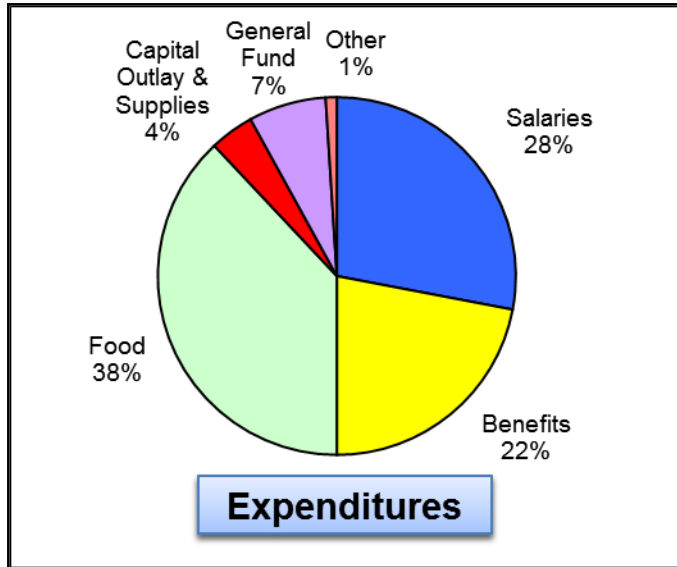
**FOOD SERVICE
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES
AT A FIVE-YEAR GLANCE**

REVENUE FOR FOOD SERVICE					
	10-11 ACTUAL	11-12 ACTUAL	12-13 ACTUAL	13-14 ACTUAL	14-15 ACTUAL
Food Sales	\$488,607	\$522,014	\$550,641	\$513,182	\$507,921
State & Federal Grants	\$485,406	\$517,785	\$503,613	\$590,895	\$616,988
Other	\$1,906	\$2,592	\$373	\$1,219	\$2,171
TOTAL REVENUES	\$975,919	\$1,042,391	\$1,054,627	\$1,105,297	\$1,127,080
EXPENDITURES FOR FOOD SERVICE					
	10-11 ACTUAL	11-12 ACTUAL	12-13 ACTUAL	13-14 ACTUAL	14-15 ACTUAL
Salaries	\$284,767	\$279,433	\$299,147	\$289,561	\$303,500
Benefits	\$160,004	\$185,690	\$199,179	\$212,626	\$248,502
Food Supplies	\$415,537	\$421,089	\$388,180	\$442,234	\$414,222
Capital Outlay / Supplies	\$36,652	\$48,699	\$58,763	\$76,811	\$42,531
Other	\$8,378	\$9,056	\$11,004	\$6,251	\$14,725
Indirect Cost Reimbursement to General Fund	\$69,077	\$73,462	\$75,547	\$75,000	\$73,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS	\$974,415	\$1,017,429	\$1,031,820	\$1,102,485	\$1,096,480

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

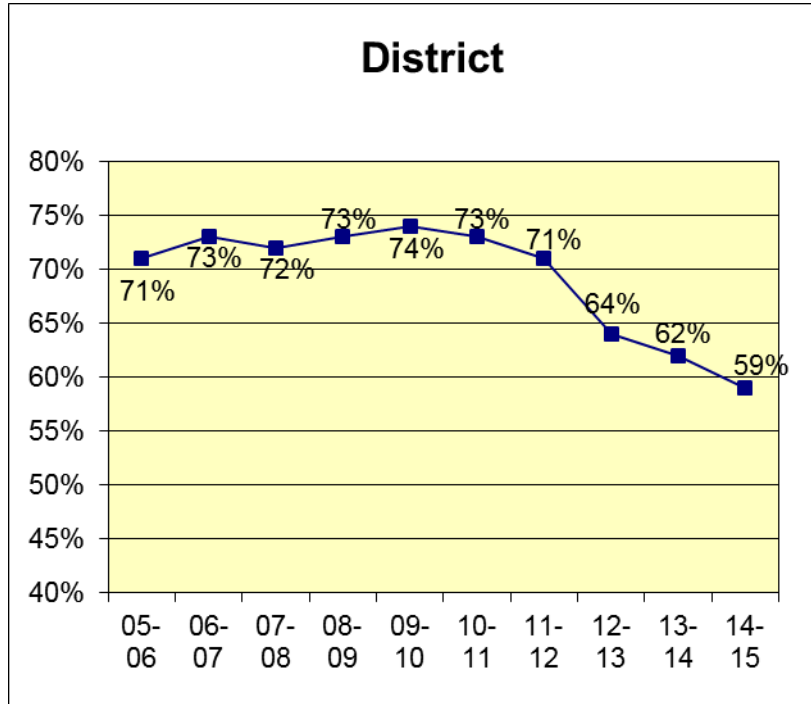


WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?



PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS SERVED EACH DAY

District	
05-06	71%
06-07	73%
07-08	72%
08-09	73%
09-10	74%
10-11	73%
11-12	71%
12-13	64%
13-14	62%
14-15	59%



HEALTHY BULLDOG MEAL QUICK BITES 2014-2015

- ☞ We served 72,188 breakfasts. (This is an increase of 9,465 from 2013-2014.)
- ☞ We served 236,690 lunches. (This is a decrease of 3,971 from 2013-2014)
- ☞ This includes the meals served through the new Head Start and Bulldog Beginings programs: 6,984 breakfasts, 7,583 lunches and 5,550 snacks.
- ☞ 34% of our families qualify for financial assistance.
 - The percentage has doubled since 2002 when 17% qualified.
- ☞ Our lunches reached 1/3 of our students' recommended daily nutritional allowances.
- ☞ Our breakfasts reached 1/4 of our students' recommended daily nutritional allowance.