

October 1, 2024

Food Service Building Report

The food service program has been in full swing since the first day of school. We have had an increase in student number counts this school year, primarily at BHS, BMS, and Buffalo hide Academy.

We are gearing up for the upcoming school ahead and all the events/field trips.

We are gearing up for the start of the Supper Program under the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). We recently had a review for the Supper Program in September 2024 which required all of May 2024 documents. And, we recently submitted our Supper application with updated documents.

The Ware house has been working very hard daily to carry out their daily operations including the assistance they provide for the school kitchens, food deliveries, and mail. The vision workers assisted warehouse staff in sorting and cleaning the warehouse in preparation for the upcoming move to the new building.

The food service program does have vacancies; (2) assistant cook at BHS (**hires waiting for board approval**), (1) assistant cook at BMS (**hire waiting for board approval**). The supper program: (1) site supervisor and (1) head cook (**hire waiting for board approval**). The supper program during the school year is funded through the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and is separate from the summer food program. This program will allow kids in sports/clubs/recreational activities to be fed. This is a great program.

At this time, the copy center clerk has been extremely busy with copy orders in preparing for the upcoming school year, and getting orders complete.

The food service program will be collaborating with the USDA Team Nutrition Grant which will allow BPS to Collaborate with FAST Blackfeet and the USDA Nutrition Team (Molly Steinburg,-MSU, Jay Stagg-Farm to School). This grant will assist with incorporating the indigenous foods, teas, and farm to school activities in to the food service program.

The food service program looks forward to the new school with feeding the kids and happy tummies!

Attached are the student counts per school, Copy Center Billing Reimbursements, and Adult Meal Charges reimbursed to Food Service program for first week of school to September. And, September reimbursements for student meals are enroute for submission for October 10th (August was previously attached to last board report).

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