

January 17, 2024

Dear JPPII Families,

We are excited to announce the launch of our food service program at St. John Paul II School starting on Monday, January 22. The implementation of the [The National School Breakfast and Lunch Program](#) is an improvement for our school community. Not only does this program provide multiple benefits for our students and families, it will foster a healthier environment for learning.

Please note that the programs will differ between the two buildings, so please read the specifics for each building.

For Grades 5-8:

- Students will be provided one free breakfast and lunch on a daily basis.
- Breakfast is available from 7:15-7:40 A.M. in Monsignor Thomson Hall. Students are expected to finish their breakfast before leaving Monsignor Thomson Hall.
- Same day lunch orders and next day breakfast orders will be taken during your child's homeroom period. There is one breakfast choice and students may choose from three lunch options. More about the choices will be explained in a followup email.
- Monthly menus can be found [here](#) on the Barnstable Public Schools Food Services website. The menu is being finalized; however, this is a sample of the options.

For Grades 9-12:

- Students will be provided one free breakfast and lunch on a daily basis.
- Breakfast will be available from 7:15-7:40 A.M. in the cafeteria. Students are expected to finish their breakfast before leaving the cafeteria.
- Pre-ordering is not required for breakfast or lunch. This week, each high school student will receive a laminated card with their meal ID number. Students will need to present this ID number upon exiting the serving line for both breakfast and lunch.
- Additional meals can be purchased by loading funds at [MySchoolBucks](#) or by cash.
- Monthly menus can be found [here](#) on the Barnstable Public Schools Food Services website.

Meal Accommodations:

If your child requires a meal accommodation, please have your child's medical professional complete this [form](#). This is required by law to accommodate any specific dietary need.

Please return the form to the school nurse as soon as possible.

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The cafeteria staff will have this information on file to ensure that students receive the appropriate meal. All meal ingredients, nutrition, and allergen information can be found by clicking on the individual items on the menu.

We appreciate your patience during the initial weeks as we implement this new major initiative. We will have a formal ribbon cutting and blessing at a later date. Our partnership with Barnstable Public School Food Service, Robert B. Our LLC, Graham Construction, and numerous individuals made this program come to fruition. We thank them for their massive efforts and generosity they put forth in this endeavor.

If you have specific questions not contained in this letter, please feel free to contact Margaret Keras at mkeras@jpiihyannis.org

Most sincerely,

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Head of School