



Welcome Back to 2021-2022 School with Free Meals for All

Under the nationwide waiver, provided by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Twin Rivers USD Nutrition Services is able to provide breakfast and lunch, free of charge, to all enrolled Gateway Community Charter students.

School Meals = Student Success!

Not only are school meals nutritious and delicious, they are convenient and FREE for all students. Nutrition Services creates menus that are kid approved and meet the nutrition standards set by the USDA. Fresh fruits & vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins and dairy make up a meal that fuels your student for learning and promotes healthy habits for lifelong good nutrition.

Breakfast will be available every morning at all school sites before school starts. We will also be serving hot lunch during each school sites scheduled lunchtime. Supper meals will be offered to all after-school students during their program time.

Maximize physical distance as much as possible while students eat indoors. Using additional spaces outside of the cafeteria for mealtime seating will help facilitate distancing (#13, *Food Service Recommendations, COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 School in California, 2021-2022 School Year*).

Program Changes- No Curbside or Weekend Meals

Nutrition Services will be discontinuing the "School Meals 2 Go" grab-n-go curbside meal program. Meals for non-enrolled students 18 and under will be free and available upon request from Nutrition Services staff. Additionally, USDA is no longer allowing weekend meals under Seamless Summer Option Waiver for SY 21-22.

School meals are prepared and served with safety in mind!

We follow CDC & local County Health Department guidelines to help prevent the spread of Covid-19 and keep food safe. We maintain strict food safety procedures including:

- All staff wear face covering, gloves and aprons
- Hand washing & personal hygiene practice
- Safe food practices, proper cleaning and sanitizing while in kitchen area, around others or when serving meals

Nutrition Services is committed to serving our students, classrooms, and community and looking forward to greeting your children the first day of school!

Sincerely,

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