

Iroquois School District
Cafeteria Advisory Committee
Thursday, January 7, 2016

MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES: See attached list

I. Iroquois Menus

- Denise reminded everyone in attendance that the District is mandated to follow guidelines in accordance with the USDA and PDE.
- Breakfast in the classroom has started in the Elementary School, no hot entrée.
- We do practice offer vs. serve for lunch – kids have a choice (less plate waste). ½ cup fruit must be offered (grade level requirements are different).
- Menu is read on announcements every day in both the Elementary and Jr/Sr High Schools. (The students in attendance didn't know the menu was available online)
- Veggies – there are five subgroups offered at least once a week.
- IHS would like deli and salad bar offered once a week.
- Choose 2 – IHS would like this returned (Denise will look into).
- IES – likes salad bar, but finds it's "messy". Would like more refreshing choices not hot veggies, more cold choices.
- Doug – would like to see a nacho bar or baked potato bar
- Joe – agrees with following guidelines, suggests starting with a starter tray and move to choices.

II. Breakfast News

- Denise made everyone aware of breakfast in the classroom at the Elementary school. All students receive free breakfast. Bags are packed and taken to classrooms.
- Ameri-Corps organizes the kids, but the kids are delivering – 500 to 550 being served.
- Karey noticed 5th graders are eating, whereas they wouldn't have before.
- IES – likes fruits – noticed strudel/pancakes are heated! Makes her happy! 😊
 - Breakfast consists of 1 cup of fruit or 4 oz juice – friendly for classrooms, not a lot of variety for fruits.
- IHS – would like to increase breakfast participation. Most students are coming as school is starting, hence no time for breakfast. They feel if the opportunity was given to be served in the classroom would be taken advantage of.
 - Karey/Doug – grab-n-go, would have to be finished before announcements are over.
 - Currently served in community lobby and it's packed up at 7:40.
 - Suggestions include 2 carts at end of each hallway, monitored by teachers on duty, breakfast must be eaten in the classroom.
 - *May* start with Senior High, other ideas were tossed around on how to make it work.

III. Cafeteria Activities

- January – review forms submitted / March – physical review
- IES – “lucky tray” – possible IHS involvement
- IHS – “spin the wheel” – finding that most won’t participate
- Healthy Choice Snacks – “smart snacks”; a la carte – options to sell
- Mimic McD’s – breakfast 24 hours
 - IHS would eat lunch if breakfast available at lunch time
 - Not something served regularly for breakfast
 - Denise offered 3 options they’re considering

IV. Open Discussion

- Tom – reduce grease (mainly pizza) maybe offer veggie pizza?
- Joe – not all plain pepperoni pizza – little Mexican octagon shaped; hot buffalo chicken
- Grant – Denise mentioned the possibility of a grant for a smoothie machine for breakfast and possible lunch.
 - Joe says yes! He’s seen them at other schools (wrestling tournaments) and he expects long lines.
- Return of small ice cream cups?
- YAC (Youth Advisory Council) – high school has signed up with positive feedback

Next meeting will be held in March, Kim to follow-up with date.