

Nutritional Services Weekly Newsletter

Week of
October
15th - 21th

Winter Break – We need your input!

We are trying to figure out if **you** need or want meals during the winter break? We do not normally offer such a program, but under the circumstances, and with our current regulations, we are able to do it at no cost to you. We need to plan and get this figured out soon, so everyone including staff can plan their holidays around the distribution days.

Please understand that if you are wanting meals, we will make it happen, because that is what we love to do. We need to stress the fact that our staff is coming in to work almost every day of the winter break, facing the winter weather to make sure your family has food over the full 2-weeks. This part is not the problem, because that is the best part of our job. We just need to make it clear that even if it is 30 degrees below with 3 feet of snow on the ground, **we will be there** and we expect you to be there as well if you asked for meals.

So please fill out this survey and we will decide how/if to proceed with meal distribution during winter break Dec 21-Jan 1st.

 [Winter Break Survey](#) 

Facebook

We are now online and ready for viewing! Please use the link and check out our new page.

<https://www.facebook.com/helenaschoolfoodservice>

Here you will find the links every week, the newest information about food service, and this weekly newsletter. We are trying to offer as many possible information settings as possible. There is never too much information when it comes to making sure kids have food.

USDA has extended the free program for the entire school year!

We are very happy to share that we will be able to offer the current free meal programs to all, for rest of the school year! This includes the DLMD.

If you want to read more about it check out this link:

<https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2020/10/09/trump-administration-extends-free-meals-kids-entire-school-year>

Pre-Order Distance learning Meals

For pick up every Wednesday

[DLMD Week 10/21-10/27](#)
[DLMD Standing order link](#)

You do not need to do this again if you have completed it once.

[DLMD Cancellation Link](#)

If you are unable to pick up meals at any of the times or locations that we currently offer, please contact our office we will work with you to arrange an alternative pick up time on a one by one basis.

406-324-2570

Cupped fruits & beans

Look for the canned beets this next week. We have been cupping up fruit and veggie beans over the past couple of weeks to increase variety for kids. We have found that some of the lids have coming off in the bags, so we have started to put them into a separate brown bag to keep messes down to a minimum.

October Menus.

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