

2011-2012 HOT LUNCH Q&A

“Where is the lunch prepared and when is it served?”

The hot lunch we provide each Wednesday is prepared by the staff at nearby Roosevelt Middle School (Anoka-Hennepin School District #11). We provide volunteers to pick up the food and deliver it to our school, and then serve it to our students.

“I’d like to see more variety in the menus - can we vote for what we want served?”

Each year Roosevelt provides us with their menu schedule and we are limited to choosing from what is served at their school on Wednesdays. Again this year, this is approximately a five week rotation in the menus. Occasionally they will give us additional options throughout the year, but we can’t guarantee that. The menu options listed on today’s order form are what we have available to us at this time.

“Will my child receive milk with their meal?”

Your child will receive milk if you have paid the milk fee at the beginning of the year. The milk distribution is handled the same as every other school day.

“Explain the hot lunch order forms.”

Every three months an order form will be included with your Happenings. It is important that you fill out a form (one per family) and return it to the school office with payment by the date indicated on the form (usually due on Friday of the same week). You may prepay for the year (the amount will be listed at the bottom of the order form). Prepayment means you will never need to fill out the order forms for your child, assuring they will never miss lunches due to late forms. Prepayment also lightens the paperwork load for our volunteer hot lunch coordinator, so if you are able, please consider this option.

“Do I really have to get these forms in by the deadline?”

YES! You will notice the forms are due the Friday before the first meal is served. We need to provide the school making the meals with an accurate count. If you forget to turn in the forms, your child will miss out on three months of hot lunch! If you find it’s difficult to get the forms in on time, consider pre-payment.

“Why is the prepayment amount larger for the K-3rd graders?”

There is a Wednesday in May that all middle schoolers are off campus during the lunch hour (6th & 7th grade trip to Luther Crest and 8th grade trip to Chicago), so they are paying for one lunch less than the younger grades.

“Are there refunds if my child is sick or a field trip is scheduled?”

Sorry, but no. Generally the teachers try to avoid field trips over the hot lunch hour on Wednesdays but sometimes it can’t be avoided. If I know a field trip is scheduled, I will try to mark it on the order form so that you know not to order a meal for that week.