

Communication From Brevard Schools. New Food Distribution Info. 03.31.20

Important updates and reminders about food distribution program

Brevard Public Schools, Office of Food and Nutrition Services (FNS), was approved by the USDA to provide free breakfast and lunch meals to all children ages 18 and younger during the coronavirus-related school closure. Last week, over 122,000 meals were given to children in Brevard County at 13 distribution sites!

Below are some important updates and reminders about our food distribution program:

- 1. NEW PICK-UP WAIVER The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services received a temporary waiver so that parents/guardians may pick up meals for their child(ren) due to extenuating circumstances. Effective Monday, March 30, if the child is not able to come to the food distribution site, the parent/guardian must show a valid form of identification for EACH of their children not present in order to receive meals. Examples of valid forms of identification are the following: a student identification card, child's birth certificate, child's passport, government-issued child identification card, or a document proving parent/guardian identity and relationship to the child such as a hospital, religious, or day care record. To ensure social distancing, the parent should place the identification of each child not present in the windshield.
- 2. LUNCH MENU The lunch menu has been expanded to include easy, heat and serve meals such as chicken tenders and pizza on various days.
- 3. MOBILE FEEDING A mobile feeding plan is in the works. Information will be released when finalized.

FNS is grateful to the school administration & staff, teachers, and SROs who partnered with our amazing cafeteria staff to make the first week of food distribution a success! Thank you to the parents and children for your words of encouragement, thank you notes, emails, signs, and balloons! We loved "SERVING UP HAPPINESS" on-the-go...and look forward to seeing you again this week!