

Food Service Report January 2025

Happy New Year and welcome 2025!

Coincidentally enough, I again find myself writing this on a "snow day," albeit an actual "cold day." Hopefully the negative temperatures will pass on and we will get back to school soon.

January kind of gets a bad rap as I've heard it said that January is the Monday of the months! The excitement of the holidays is over, and the weather is so often dreary and cold. We all just try to get through the month without illness and too much gloom. The good news is that kids keep eating and I try to keep the menu something to look forward to, especially for the bigger kids, by adding new items or continuously changing the menu.

Breakfast numbers tend to drop a bit after a break, even just one day off, since preteens and teens tend to take advantage of sleeping in and skipping breakfast when they don't have to be up early for school. However, we're seeing a growth in breakfast service in the high school this school year and middle school fluctuates; elementary breakfast has dipped a bit since we came back from Christmas break. Yet we continue to serve an average of 270-300 complete and reimbursable breakfast meals each day.

Lunches have continued to hover around 550-600 complete meals each day. That's approximately 75% of the student body taking advantage of the Michigan School Meals Program!

On behalf of my staff and myself, I want to thank you once more for the Staff Breakfast you all prepared for us just before Break. It's very much appreciated!

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve my community as Food Service Director.

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