

Plymouth Public Schools

Food Services Program 2017-2018



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“Children who are hungry can’t concentrate on learning.”

***- Dr. Darienne Driver, Superintendent,
Milwaukee Public Schools***



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Program Overview

- 15 full-time and part-time staff, plus two on-call substitutes.
- Through the end of January, have served over 76,000 meals this year.
- Running menus on 6-week rotations.
- Recently reintroduced NutriSlice software for delivery of nutritional information to those with special dietary concerns.



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Cafeteria Visits 2x Per Week

- Are the students happy?
- Is the staff happy?
- Review purchases /production/ procedures
- Share best practices across all schools
 - Waste prevention
 - Inventory to have on hand



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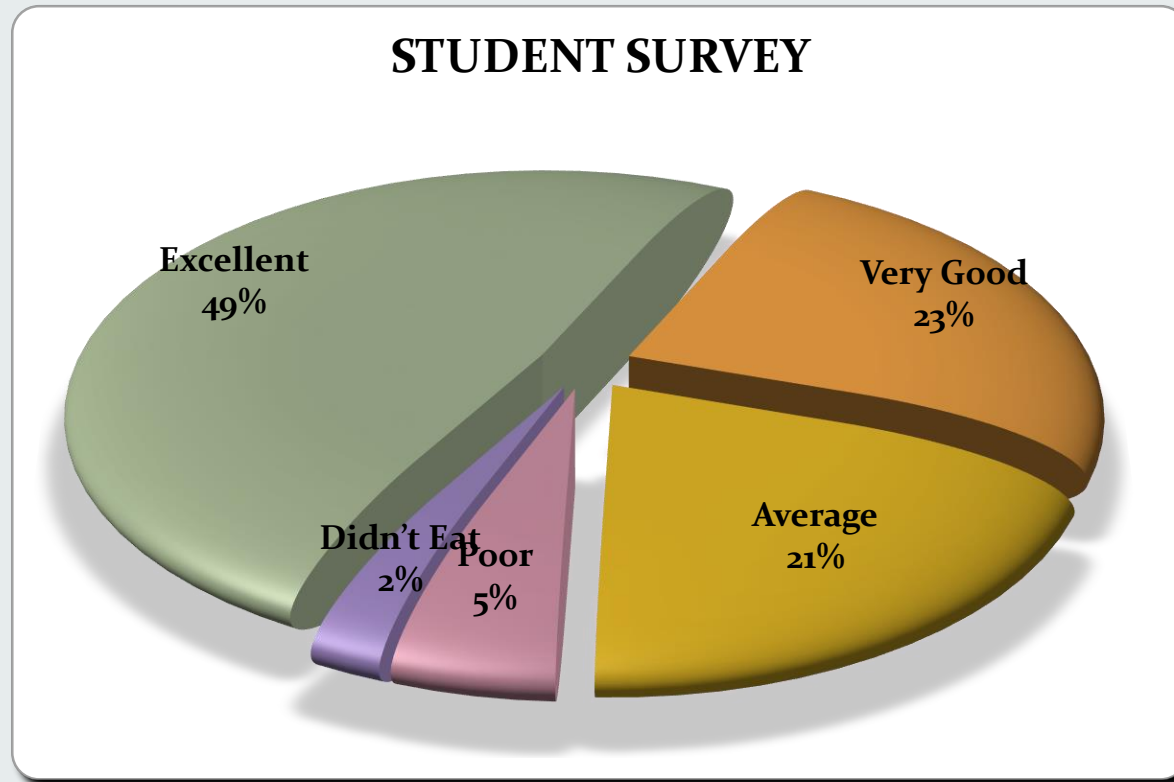
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What Are the Kids Saying?

621 responses to the question: How would you rate the Food Service from Excellent to Poor?



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Survey Comments

- Positives:
 - courteous staff
 - food has improved from last year
 - more options
 - new menu selections
 - very healthy
 - better service
- Things to improve:
 - more pizza
 - larger portions
 - more breakfast for lunch
 - portion size
 - price



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Financial Results

- Year to date profit of \$5,900 through January 31, versus a loss of \$40,500 through the same period last year.
- What's driving the improvement:
 - Shared resources between the three districts.
 - Utilizing EastConn buying cooperative.
 - Better controls over amount of food ordered.
 - More attention being paid to deficit student accounts.
 - No longer paying corporate overhead and profit margin.



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Upcoming

- Triennial program review (audit); taking place at Eli Terry this cycle.
- First-ever procurement review; new Federal requirement.
- Better financial performance, but meal counts are down 9,400. Need to better understand the cause.
 - Overall drop in enrollment?
 - Drop in F&R qualification?
- Extension of the shared service agreement with Litchfield and Region 6 on the agenda later tonight.



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Questions?



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