


Elementary School Hot Lunch Menu

March 2025

"Healthy Food RULE like a KING!!" - Robbie C. 4th Grade @ St. Peter the Apostle 

Menu is subject to change and a variety of low fat OR skim milk is offered daily, condiments offered daily, fruit & vegetable juices are 100% juice, and grains are whole grain. All Items are pork free.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
205 Popcorn Chicken V & 931 Cinnamon Bug Bites OR 212  702 Potato Smiles 697 Sliced Apples	212 Taco Triangles  620 Salsa Cup 630 Dragon Punch Vegetable Juice 749 Strawberry Craisins 909 Dinner Roll	256 Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks V  Ash Wednesday 622 Marinara Sauce 634 Ruby Rusher Vegetable Juice 670 Fresh Fruit	267 Mozzarella Sticks 622 Marinara Sauce 708 Spinach Salad with Chickpeas 684 Strawberry Banana Applesauce 	269 Cheese Pizza Calzone V 611 Bagged Baby Carrots 543 Red Pepper Hummus 670 Fresh Fruit 
208 Mini Corn Dogs 623 Tater Tots 546 Cheesy Pizza Hummus 695 Strawberry & Mango Sidekick 928 Pretzel Goldfish	225 Ciabatta Cheese Melt Sandwich V 611 Bagged Baby Carrots 543 Red Pepper Hummus 648 Strawberry Gel Cup	POT LUCK DAY 630 Dragon Punch Vegetable Juice 657 Strawberry Craisins  Registered Dietician Nutritionist Day	255 Pizzaboli  International School Meals Day 706 Spinach Salad w. Cherry Tomatoes 682 Bananas 990 Chocolate Chip Cookie	218 Mozzarella Pinwheel V 620 Salsa Cup 631 Cherry Star Vegetable Juice 697 Sliced Apples 941 Tostitos Scoops
280 Beef Burger with Green Beans & 915 Hamburger Buns  611 Bagged Baby Carrots 546 Cheesy Pizza Hummus 686 Rosati "Hero" Ice 993 Holiday Cookie	203 Mini Pepperoni Calzone 623 Tater Tots 543 Red Pepper Hummus 657 Strawberry Craisins 928 Pretzel Goldfish	215 Beef & Cheese Taco Stick OR 221 Two Cheese, Chicken Quesadilla 620 Salsa 634 Ruby Rusher Vegetable Juice 670 Fresh Fruit 941 Tostitos Scoops  Let's Laugh Day	204 Chicken Nuggets 706 Spinach Salad w. Cherry Tomatoes 682 Bananas 932 Cinnamon Scooby Snacks	257 Mozzarella Sticks V 622 Marinara Sauce 630 Dragon Punch Vegetable Juice 670 Fresh Fruit  World Down Syndrome Day
206 French Toast with Sausage 702 Potato Smiles 658 Cherry Craisins	220 Hot Dog & 906 Hot Dog Buns & 623 Tater Tots 634 Ruby Rusher Vegetable Juice 689 Strawberry Applesauce	256 Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks V 622 Marinara Sauce 632 Wango Mango Vegetable Juice 650 Strawberry Banana Smoothie Bowl  National Spinach Day	207 Cheese Ravioli V & 909 Dinner Rolls 708 Spinach Salad w. Chickpeas 670 Fresh Fruit OR 682 Bananas	263 5" Round Cheese Pizza V 611 Bagged Baby Carrots 543 Red Pepper Hummus 607 Mango Fruit Cup 932 Cinnamon Scooby Snacks

V= Vegetarian Options



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PLEASE READ CAREFULLY - Parents are strongly advised to review the menu completely to ensure that each of the food items is suitable for their children and will not trigger an allergic reaction OR related illness. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Nutritional Development Services, Inc. and your children's school shall not be responsible for any allergic reaction OR related illness caused by any food item. Upon request and without charge, Nutritional Development Services will provide parents with information on any food item, which has been provided by the supplier of the food item. To request product information please call (215) 895-3470 during normal business hours.

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Dear Parents, Caregivers, & Students,

This month, we are excited to celebrate not only St. Patrick's Day but also National Breakfast Week! At NDS, we are dedicated to providing students with a wonderful meal to start their day.

As we embrace the season, we are reminded of the symbolism of the three-leaf clover. The shamrock, a three-leaf clover, has been associated with Ireland for centuries. Known as the "seamroy" by the Celts, it was considered a sacred plant symbolizing the arrival of spring. Legend says that each leaf of the clover represents Hope, Faith, Love, and Luck. While the odds of finding a four-leaf clover are 1 in 10,000, we can assure you that the odds of students enjoying a great meal with NDS are always 100%. We look forward to sharing a memorable month filled with delicious meals and fun celebrations with your children!

National Breakfast Week

Get your magnifying glass, put on your detective hat, and clue into National School Breakfast Week! From March 3rd to March 7th, NDS will be celebrating the importance of a healthy start to the day in fueling a child's academic success. The school year can be a very busy time for families, and often, breakfast gets skipped. That's why school breakfast is such a great option!

It has been shown that students who eat school breakfast tend to have better attendance rates, fewer behavioral problems, higher levels of achievement in reading and math, and score better on standardized tests. The School Breakfast Program provides 12 million nutritious breakfasts to hungry children across the country every day. Make sure to stop by your school breakfast to find your clues to starting a great day!



National Wellness Month

March is National Wellness Month! It's the perfect time to focus on physical, mental, and emotional well-being. During this month, NDS is encouraging students to create healthy habits that will last long after March is over. These habits can include getting 8 hours of sleep, practicing mindfulness and meditation, eating a balanced diet, and engaging in regular exercise. At NDS, we support these efforts by providing students with healthy meals that include a variety of foods from all five food groups: fruits, vegetables, whole grains, protein, and dairy. Fuel up during the month with NDS breakfast & lunch!

Dairy

Did you know U.S. cows produce about 21 billion gallons of milk annually? In March, we celebrate the benefits of milk, which is produced by family-owned farms in every state. With new technology, farmers keep cows healthy while providing milk rich in protein, calcium, and vitamins A & D—great for strong bones and teeth. Fun fact: Chocolate milk helps rehydrate and refuel muscles after a workout!

Prayer

Thank you for this wonderful breakfast and the energy it gives us. Bless those who prepared it, and help us use this strength to do good today. Amen.