August, 2023

Dear Parent(s),

I hope everyone had a very enjoyable and restful summer. Back to school is an exciting time for students and families, and as the beginning of the school year quickly approaches, we want to extend you, a warm welcome back to school. Chartwells K12 and Bronxville UFSD are eager to welcome you and your student back to the school café with new flavors, events, and food and wellness education that will surely inspire a healthy and fun 2023-2024 school year! My team and I look forward to delivering smiles to our students' faces by safely providing delicious and nutritious meals.

### **New Menus and Café Spaces**

Chartwells K12 Bronxville chefs and dietitians have been hard at work testing and developing a fresh, new menu for the coming school year designed specifically for Bronxville students that includes a wide variety of healthy and delicious options. These menus were created using student input from surveys, tastings and everyday conversations as well as local food trends, flavors and produce. Menu items include:

- Organic and locally sourced, Poultry
- Organic and locally sourced beef
- Ethically raised, hormone and antibiotic free beef and pork
- Premium all natural deli products that have no artificial ingredients and are minimally processed
- Local and Organic produce when available
- Organic snack options available daily
- Organic yogurt products
- Humane Farm Animal Care (HFAC) certified cage-free shell eggs and follow policies developed with guidance from experts at the Humane Society
- Serves only fresh fluid milk and fresh yogurt from cows free of the artificial growth hormones rBGH/rBST.

Unfortunately, due to the current logistics, and food supply chain issues, we are expecting prices to increase.

This is out of our control, and we will work to mitigate the impact and frequency.

## **Dietitian's Corner**

We are also looking forward to bringing back our fun and inspiring 'Discovery Kitchen' food focus program. This program is centered around student participation, and education. Implemented by Bronxville's Chef, Dietitian and foodservice staff aimed to bring a fun and inspiring sense of food discovery right to our café. Discovery Kitchen themes to anticipate for this year include: Plant Power, Power Your Performance, Seed to Table, Spice it Up, and more.

Keep an eye out for periodic newsletters written by our Resident Dietitian, Nicole, updating the district on ongoing foodservice news and events

# Mobile Ordering, and Menus are in Your Hands

This year we are continuing with our Mobile ordering System, Nutrislice. Nutrislice brings the power of pre ordering, school menu, nutrition and allergen information, right to the palm of your hand! In addition to nutrition information, Nutrislice tells the café menu story with real photos taken by Chartwells chefs in schools, full menu descriptions as well as café event information, nutrition education and food stories helping students connect the foods they eat in the café to its origins and health benefits.

Pre-ordered meals are optional but encouraged (to avoid lines) and will be picked up by students in a designated area (Cafeteria). High school

students will have a wide variety of daily menu items to choose from. Due to the current logistics, and food supply chain issues, Price, and Menu are subject to change\*\*\* We will work tirelessly to make any of these changes as least impactful as possible. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate this fluid climate.

Lunch can be pre-ordered up to 24 hours in advance and until 9am the day of lunch service using Nutrislice.

Please visit the link below for account setup and complete instructions

#### **Nutrislice**

For more information please visit the Bronxville nutrislice webpage https://bronxvilleschool.nutrislice.com/menu

Nutrislice is available online through smartphones and the web! Download the free Nutrislice App from the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android)

#### **Tech Savvy**

The cafe Online payment and information system is called Mosaic. The system features an online payment portal called <a href="www.MYSCHOOLBUCKS.com">www.MYSCHOOLBUCKS.com</a> Please see information here, which details the procedure to set up a new account. Parents may also drop off completed enrollment forms with a check attached. Please make checks payable to "The Bronxville School Lunch Fund." Cash payments can be processed in person, when visiting the cafe.

Best Regards,

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Chartwells K12