

Welcome back to School! We are pleased to announce that we will be making many exciting improvements to our lunch program over the course of this year. Last winter, we conducted surveys of our parents and students and learned a lot about what you like, and don't like, about the lunches at our CSGK schools. As a result, we are making changes to our lunch programs to feature more high quality, healthy and delicious food that your children will enjoy.

While some favorites will remain on the menu, many new items will be introduced, including at least one new item, often homemade, each month. Our first new specialty entrée is a homemade chicken sandwich – we'll marinate chicken breasts to keep them juicy, bake them, and serve them on fresh whole-wheat buns. We encourage you to try this delicious sandwich and the other new items as we introduce them each month.

We are also making changes to improve the side dishes that we serve with our entrées and will include more fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables. To do this, we are exploring relationships with some new vendors, including the new Food Innovation Center at KVCC and the Kalamazoo Farmers Market, to get the best quality fruits and vegetables available. As one new addition, this fall we will be featuring slices of local Honey Crisp apples with some of our lunch options.

Other changes this fall include replacing the Little Caesar's pizza with a better product from Pizza Hut. We are also excited to offer sub sandwiches from Jersey Giant as well. These are tasty subs from a local shop and we will be offering both ham and turkey, with cheese, and the option of fresh tomato and lettuce added in the lunch line.

As the year progresses, please check out the Hot Lunch Program page on our school website – along with the menus for each month, the page will be updated often with information about the changes we are making as we continue to work to improve the lunches we serve.

Bon Appetit!